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AUSTRALIA MAKE A STAND

122 FOR ONE WOODFULL AND HENDRY DEFY BOWLING CHANGES

83 RUNS PUT ON

The expectations of another Australian collapse, following the loss of one wicket for 39 overnight, were all dispelled by time-to-day when Reuter enabled the home-esters stood in the satisfactory position of having secured a total of 122 runs for no further loss.

The batsmen responsible for this morning's stand are Woodfull and Hendry. Last night they were left with 17 and 21 respectively. And on the fifth day of the Second Test they played splendid fighting cricket, Reuter adds.

The attendance was only 2,000, the weather brilliant and the wicket continued to play fast.

Against steady bowling, the Australian pair showed excellent batting.

Possible Chance

Hendry was the first to reach his 50, the total then being 88. Through Chapman, the English skipper, misfielding, Hendry sent up the 100 with a single, the innings having lasted two hours and three minutes.

Shortly before the lunch interval, Woodfull, who had been the more subdued of the two, also reached his half century, having batted two hours and 18 minutes. He did so by a stroke which sent the ball over Geary's head—a barely possible chance which was not accepted.

When the interval came, the total was 122. Of the 33 added this morning, Woodfull claimed 35, Hendry was responsible for 47, and one more extra had been conceded.

With nine wickets in hand (not taking into consideration the likelihood of Ponsford not batting owing to the injury to his hand) Australia still needs 261 runs to avoid an innings' defeat.

Australia—1st Innings

W. M. Woodfull, lb.w., b Geary	68
Y. Y. Richardson, b Larwood	27
A. F. Kippax, b Geary	9
W. H. Ponsford, retired hurt	5
H. L. Hendry, b Geary	37
J. S. Ryder, lb.w., b Geary	25
O. Nethling, b Larwood	8
W. A. Oldfield, not out	41
C. V. Grimmett, run out	9
D. D. J. Blackie, b Geary	9
H. Ironmonger, c Duckworth, b Larwood	1
Extras	15
Total	253

Fall of wickets: 1 for 51 runs (Richardson), 2 for 65 (Kippax), 3 for 75 (Ponsford), 4 for 152 (Woodfull), 5 for 153 (Hendry), 6 for 171 (Nethling), 7 for 192 (Ryder), 8 for 222 (Grimmett), 9 for 251 (Blackie), 10 for 253 (Ironmonger).

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Larwood	26.2	4	77	3
Tate	21	9	29	0
White	30	10	79	0
Geary	18	5	35	5
Hammond	6	0	18	0

England—1st Innings

J. B. Hobbs, c Oldfield, b Grimmett	40
H. Sutcliffe, c Hendry, b Ironmonger	11
W. R. Hammond, b Ironmonger	251
D. R. Jardine, run out	28
E. Hendren, c Richardson, b Blackie	74
A. P. F. Chapman, c Ryder, b Blackie	20
H. Larwood, c Ryder, b Grimmett	43
G. Geary, lb.w., b Blackie	66
M. W. Tate, lb.w., b Blackie	25
G. Duckworth, not out	39
J. C. White, st Oldfield, b Hendry	29
Extras	10
Total	638

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Nothing	42	15	60	0
Grimmett	64	14	191	2
Ironmonger	68	21	142	2
Blackie	59	19	148	4
Hendry	23.1	4	62	1
Ryder	11	3	22	0
Kippax	5	8	11	0

Fall of wickets: 1 for 37 runs (Sutcliffe), 2 for 65 (Hobbs), 3 for 143 (Jardine), 4 for 293 (Hendren), 5 for 341 (Chapman), 6 for 422 (Larwood), 7 for 498 (Hammond), 8 for 528 (Tate), 9

KING'S ILLNESS AT BALANCING POINT

IMPROVEMENT NOTED BEING MAINTAINED

PASSES A QUIET DAY

London, Yesterday, 8 p.m.

A British Wireless message states:

It was officially stated this afternoon that the improvement in the King's condition, noted in the morning bulletin, had been maintained. Although authoritative comment was not forthcoming in palace circles, it is understood that the more favourable report to-day indicates that the slight setback, reported last night was, as hoped, merely temporary.

The King has now apparently recovered part of the ground lost yesterday.

In medical circles, it is pointed out that the illness is at the balancing point and medical advisers are recording the ebb and flow.

This morning's bulletin shows that the King has still recuperative power.

Last Night's Bulletin

The bulletin issued from Buckingham Palace to-night states that the King has passed a quiet day and that the progress noted this morning has continued.

Signed: Stanley Hewett, Hugh Rigby and Lord Dawson of Penn.

Half-Yearly Promotions

It is anticipated that in view of the King's illness, the list of honours, which is customarily issued in the New Year will be postponed.

It is understood that any such alteration in the arrangements will not interfere with the usual half-yearly promotions in the fighting services.

Ray Treatment Continued

Reuter states:

It is authoritatively stated that the King to-day made further slight progress and is now in a somewhat better position than he was 36 hours ago.

In Palace circles to-night the position was regarded with more satisfaction and there was an air of restrained optimism.

Dr. Howitt and Dr. Woods re-applied the Ray Therapy treatment this evening.

SHIPPING BOARD

SELLING 45 VESSELS FOR SCRAP

Washington, Yesterday.

The United States Shipping Board has decided to sell 45 of its vessels to the Union Shipbuilding Company of Baltimore for a scrapping price of \$423,000.—Reuter's American Service.

ARMY CHIEF ILL

Rome, Yesterday.

Marshal Cadorna, ex-Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Army, is seriously ill.—Reuter.

"TOM JONES"

There will be a matinee performance at 4.30, to-day; no performance to-night, and no matinee to-morrow, as has been stated in another local paper.

for 589 (Geary), 10 for 638 (White).

Australia—2nd Innings

W. M. Woodfull, not out	52
V. Y. Richardson, c Hendren, b Tate	0
H. L. Hendry, not out	68
Extras	2
Total (for 1 wkt.)	122

Fall of wicket: 1 for 0 run (Richardson).

Yesterday's Play

Yesterday's play in the second Test Match at Sydney of the 1928-9 Tour will always stand out as marking England's feat in securing the highest total—638 runs—ever made in the history of these competitions. The hero of the day was Hammond of Gloucester, who scored 251 before losing his wicket. This is the second highest individual score in Test cricket. Towards the end of the day Australia commenced their second innings, and at close of play were 89 runs for one wicket, Richardson knocking up a catch before the score had opened. Play to-day therefore commenced with Australia 344 runs behind and one wicket down in the second innings.

NEWS TO HAND FROM KABUL

BRIGAND ATTACK

ALL IS WELL IN BRITISH LEGATION

BRIGANDS SUPPRESSED

London, Yesterday.

The Afghan Legation states that it has received a telegram from Kabul, dated to-day, stating that 400 brigands, led by Badcha Saqauq, attacked the suburb of Kabul on Dec. 16.

Government forces were engaged for a few hours, after which the leaders of the band were either killed or captured and the raid repulsed.

The situation at Kabul is now very quiet and the Eastern Province of Jalalabad is also normal.

A telegram from Peshawar says that news reached them by aeroplane that all is well in the British Legation at Kabul.—Reuter.

NEW HOUSES

CONTRACTORS BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE

"DIDN'T LIKE THE STYLE"

A summons was heard, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, against a Chinese contractor of No. 13 Pak-hoi-street, who was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with failing to construct houses according to plans submitted.

Mr. F. C. Neville, 1st class overseer of the Public Works Department, who prosecuted, said that the part most offending was the roof.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and said that the person for whom the house was being constructed, did not like the style which the Government wished the roof to be, and had asked him to construct it in a manner suiting his taste. Defendant was, therefore, in a difficult position.

His Worship said that defendant must re-construct the roof according to the submitted plans.

A fine of \$50 was imposed and an order was made that everything must be put straight within a month's time.

Another Chinese, charged with a similar offence, was fined \$30 and ordered to put the work right.

For having the cock-loft of his shop one foot below the legal point, a master of a shop in Yaumati was fined \$25, and ordered to put it right within 14 days.

TEA INQUIRY

FURTHER EVIDENCE TAKEN

NOW ADJOURNED

London, Yesterday.

The Tea Inquiry Committee have decided to hear certain evidence in camera, and the Inquiry has been adjourned until January 14.

Evidence in opposition to the application included Liptons, of which the managing director did not think the order any advantage to the country's trade or the bulk of consumers. There had recently been a more insistent demand for the lower grades of Indian and Ceylon tea and less demand for foreign.

The William Wright Company said it was not possible to sell tea in Glasgow at sixteen pence per lb. unless blended with foreign tea and the firm of David Lloyd and Pigott's dwell on the difficulties that marketing would make in the distributing and retail trades. It would also enhance the price of tea for the poorer classes, and would open the door to fraud.—Reuter.

THE WORKLESS

HOME-SIDE FIGURES ON INCREASE

London, Yesterday.

The total number of unemployed on December 10 was 1,320,900. This was 29,906 less than the week before but 195,070 more than a year before.—British Wireless Service.

NO POISON GAS

London, Yesterday.

Sir Laming Worthington Evans, Minister for War, stated in the House of Commons that no part of the army's training for offensive purposes involved the use of poison gas as a weapon of offence.—British Wireless Service.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE

VINDICATED TO-DAY

IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURE CHANGED BY C.S.P.

BUT COURT IS NOT INFORMED

Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Kowloon, who was censured yesterday by the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, Kt. Bach., C.B.E., K.C.), was vindicated this morning.

Prior to the opening of the third case in the December Criminal Session calendar, Mr. Somerset Fitzroy (assistant Attorney-General) informed his Lordship that the question of procedure in identification cases held by Police would be brought up again and that Mr. Calthrop would be giving evidence once more.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Calthrop had communicated with him. He, counsel, now produced new regulations issued by the Captain Superintendent of Police last month, cancelling all the previous rules.

"It is unfortunate," said Mr. Fitzroy, "that Mr. Calthrop had been acting according to instructions. (In permitting a witness to point a suspected person out instead of touching him as laid down before). It is unfortunate, Mr. Fitzroy said, that the old rules should have been left in the book which Mr. Calthrop used yesterday to refresh his memory in giving evidence.

"It is unfortunate," his Lordship observed. "All I have to say then is that regulations are to be enforced."

"STRONG WINDS"

"Strong N.E. winds, fine, is the forecast till noon to-morrow for Hong Kong, the adjacent coast and Formosa Channel.

At 11.07 a.m. today the Observatory reported:—"The Guam typhoon has filled up. A strong anti-cyclone is central over the North China Sea. Strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea."

forced. Changes ought to be communicated and brought to my attention. I see that I have been unfair to Mr. Calthrop and I am sorry I criticised him in that respect. I have made it clear more than once that I attach great importance to the rules of these parades. Mr. Calthrop was obviously not at fault and I was wrong in basing my criticism on the old rules."

Mr. Calthrop justified.

Later on, when Mr. Calthrop entered the box as the first witness in the case in which an Indian constable, Mowaz Khan, is charged with rape, his Lordship again informed Mr. Calthrop that his conduct (at the parade in yesterday's armed robbery case) was justified and in accordance with the rules. "It is a pity the new rules were not communicated to counsel (Mr. Fitzroy) nor to me. However, that is nothing to do with you."

Mr. Fitzroy said that he was unaware of the change until yesterday afternoon. His Lordship directed that any such change should be notified in future.

Mr. Fitzroy is prosecuting in to-day's case. Inspector H. Phillips of Kowloon City is in charge of the Police case. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sr., is defending.

Girl's Affliction

The Crown case is that accused had carnal knowledge of a Chinese girl, about 19 years of age (18 in English reckoning), at Ngau-shi-wan, Kowloon City, at about 9 a.m. on Oct. 17, without complainant's consent.

Few people traverse the spot where the offence is alleged to have been committed. Complainant was on a path, cutting grass—an occupation common to the women of that locality.

It is alleged that accused and another constable were on patrol together when they came to the place.

Mr. Fitzroy laid emphasis on the girl being afflicted. She could speak but from a few years old, she had been unable to hear. All that she does hear is from her mother, he added, knowing the sounds she had heard in childhood and watching her mother's lips move. Accordingly, the mother

ITALY'S MAN OF MANY PARTS

WE ARE SEVEN

MUSSOLINI NOW HOLDS SEVEN PORTFOLIOS

WAR, NAVY, ETC.

Rome, Yesterday.

Signor Mussolini has undertaken another ministerial portfolio, namely the Colonies, Federzoni having resigned.

Mussolini now holds seven portfolios, namely, Prime Minister, Foreign, Interior, War, Navy, Aviation and the colonies.—Reuter.

YOUNG RUFFIAN

ASSAULTS HIS MOTHER AND IS FINED

DISGRACEFUL AFFAIR

The alleged assault of his own mother led to the appearance of a young Chinese before Mr. R. E. Lindsay's Court this morning.

"Do you want me to punish him," asked the Magistrate, "Yes," replied the old woman. "I wish you would punish him."

The complainant in evidence stated that she was living at No. 59, High-street. The defendant was the youngest of her three sons. Formerly he gave her \$3 every month for her maintenance but lately this was reduced to \$2. During the last four months the defendant had not given her a cent, so yesterday morning she went to his house and asked for money. The defendant, it was alleged, refused to give her any and instead struck her blows on the chest.

In reply to the magistrate's complaint stated that her eldest son gave her \$12 a month but that was not enough for her.

Defendant said that his mother had bitten his hand at yesterday's visit. He had offered to go with her to make arrangements at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5, and, as complainant had evidently started the row, his worship ordered both parties to sign a personal bond of \$50 as to their future behaviour.

NOT TRUE

CHINESE AND THEIR SCALES

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning a Chinese was summoned before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, with using scales in sales transactions that was not true to balance, being in fact two per cent. against the purchaser.

The Magistrate: It is a very funny thing it never seems to be 2 per cent. against you.

Defendant, master of a shop in No. 87, Ki Lung-street, Yaumati, pleaded that he was unaware of the fault.

A fine of \$10 or, in default, 14 days' imprisonment was imposed.

Another Chinese, charged with a similar offence, was fined \$15.

IDENTIFICATION

Mr. Calthrop's evidence related to the identification parade at which the girl picked accused out of a row of eighteen Indians, some with beards and some without, in which row accused stood eleventh of his own choice. All the men on parade were in the Police. They wore regulation summer uniform but had no number plates on their shoulders.

The girl was very nervous and very frightened, said Mr. Calthrop, who also told of her reluctance and hesitation to walk down the line, as directed. Every time she stopped or tried to leave the parade, Mr. Calthrop told her (through an interpreter and the mother) to continue. When she got to accused's position, she pointed at him and spoke to her mother.

Mr. d'Almada, Jr., cross-examined on the procedure and on what occurred at the parade, drawing attention to a statement by Mr. Calthrop (as recorded in the Police Magistrate's depositions) that the girl identified accused with some hesitation. Mr. Calthrop explained that the hesitation was not in actually identifying, but in moving along the line of men as requested to do so.

Case continuing.

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MRS. SOUTHERN AND THE BROWNIES

SCHOOL PRIZES

VICTORIA BRITISH REPORT A GOOD YEAR

KIDDIES' PLAYS

Mrs. W. T. Southern, wife of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, distributed prizes to the successful students of the Victoria British School, Causeway Bay, this morning.

There was a large attendance of parents and friends of the school, including Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, and Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools.

Three interesting plays were presented by the pupils of the school. Christmas plays were offered by the children of Class 10 and Class 9, whilst the bigger members of Class 8 played "Sir Lancelot and Elaine" which was specially dramatized for them by Miss M. J. Stuart, who was also responsible for the pretty costumes and settings used in the play.

The children all played their parts well in all three plays, doing credit to themselves and their teachers, who had given a lot of time in the coaching of the children.

The annual report was read by Mrs. E. M. Clark, the headmistress. She said:—

The attendance since March has been satisfactory. Owing to an epidemic of whooping cough the attendance in January and February was very poor. The number on the Roll during the year was 58, as compared with 64 last year. Mr. de Martin, Inspector of Schools, visited the school in June last. The Medical Officer of Schools paid several visits during the year and 19 pupils were vaccinated on December 12. Mrs. A. G. Jefford, with Class 10 has ably carried on the good work begun by Mrs. Watt who proceeded to Scotland in June. Mrs. C. I. Pryde has brought Class 9 well into line with the home standard. We have also to thank her for preparing the pupils for the Royal Drawing Society's Examination with the following results:—

Preparatory Division.—Honours 2. Passes 14.

Division I.—Honours 1. Passes 2.

LOVE FOR LITERATURE

The results in English, History and Geography in Class 8 are better than in previous years and Miss M. J. Stuart should feel gratified that she has succeeded in inculcating a love for Literature in her Class.

Class 7 has worked well throughout the year. All the pupils of this Class have passed their examination and will be transferred to the Central British School after Xmas. Miss D. M. Jacques has visited the school on Mondays and Thursdays and the pupils have taken a keen interest in her lessons in Drill, Organised Games and Hygiene.

PARTIES AND GIFTS

There have been several informal parties during the year—on the occasion of Mrs. Watt's farewell on "May Day" when Betty Longbottom was chosen queen—on Empire Day and on Halloween. The school has received gifts, from several friends, who wish to remain anonymous. Among these were pot plants, a Christmas tree and decorations and a ping-pong table. The H.K.F.C. presented the V.B.S. team with a football. We appreciate these gifts greatly.

On December 5 a Pack of Wolf cubs was started and on December 7 a Brownie Pack was formed. We thank Mrs. Remington and Mr. and Mrs. Smith for all they have done in establishing and fostering the movement in the school. I should like to thank my staff for their loyal co-operation and for the real hard work done which has made it possible to raise the standard of work throughout the school. May I add on behalf of the Staff a word of thanks to the parents who have assisted us in every possible way. We very much appreciate their co-operation.

THE BROWNIES

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BRITAIN'S DISTRESSED MINING AREAS

PRINCE'S APPEAL

TO ALLEVIATE SUFFERING

London, Yesterday.

The Prince of Wales has taken up the cause of the distressed mining areas and has issued a direct personal appeal on their behalf. He says that he has been painfully impressed by the suffering which exists therein: "We must all join in one combined national effort to help the women and children in these areas."

At the Lord Mayor's invitation he has accepted the position of patron of the Lord Mayor's Fund and asks everyone to contribute thereto generously according to his means. "Let us recapture the spirit of the war when we recognised every effort made by the Government as a new call to individual self-sacrifice."

The Government have their duties but each of us has also individual duty showing in practical ways. Our determination to alleviate the suffering will rekindle hope among these distressed fellow countrymen of ours."

\$5,000 Daily For Mayor's Fund

Funds are coming in at the rate of \$5,000 daily to the Lord Mayor's fund.

The largest contribution, so far, is \$25,000 from Mr. F. K. Kieberg, chairman of the Anglo-Danish Society and Managing Director for United Molasses.—Reuter.

THE VICTORIA BRITISH

showed a landmark in its history—the formation of a Brownie Pack. I am most grateful to Mrs. Clark for encouraging the Brownie Pack and to Mrs. Smith for taking it over. Someone said to me the other day, "Do you really believe in Guides and Brownies?" Believe in them! Why, I think that the two Movements—Scout and Guide—are one of the greatest helps towards the ultimate peace of the world. The older I grow, the more I believe in them, the keener I am to assist their development by every means in my power.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

WHALING INDUSTRY

AN ANGLO-NORWEGIAN EXPEDITION?

SCIENTIFIC SIDE

For many years past the whaling industry has been of the highest importance for Norway. That country's share in the total yield of last year's catch was 720,000 barrels out of about 1,200,000 barrels for all the nations interested in the industry. One of the most burning questions of the present day is the scientific solution of the problems of the whale supply and of whale migration. Upon this important matter Professor Johan Hjort, of the Oslo University, who is a specialist in all questions relating to whaling, has issued an important statement as to the present situation. He says the whaling activity of last two or three years, both in regard to the methods adopted and to the number of expeditions sent out, has assumed such an extent that a solution of the question concerning the existing supplies of whales appear to be urgently necessary. The best way of finding a solution would be the fitting out of a special expedition consisting of a floating factory and several whaling steamers, which would pursue an extensive catch at several elected places so as to establish whether whaling were practicable everywhere in the Antarctic or only in determined regions. Such an expedition would, at the same time, carry out biological studies, from which a great many facts of real scientific value might be learned about the life and habits of the whale.

Professor Hjort has expressed his willingness to take over the scientific leadership of an expedition of the kind indicated, and he is convinced that a close co-operation between science and the practical whalingmen would help towards the solution of more than one important problem. In practical whaling circles the idea of his expedition has been repeatedly discussed, and has aroused great interest. If, nevertheless, no step has so far been taken towards converting the idea into actual fact, that must be attributed in the first place to the relatively high costs which such an expedition would entail. Furthermore, it is thought to be advisable to await the results of the whaling season which has just begun. As on the British side there is also great interest in the solution of the problem, it is thought that Anglo-Norwegian co-operation can safely be counted upon.

According to Professor Hjort's proposal, the expedition, if decided upon, would start from Norway in the summer of 1929.

"SHASI" CASE ENDS

Reuter reports from Hankow that the three leaders of the piracy of the British s.s. "Shasi" last month have been executed (as stated yesterday in an R. N. wireless message). These, with sixteen executions earlier, dispose of all the men arrested by the Chinese in connection with the case.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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SWEDEN—ENGLAND

REVIVAL OF TRAIN-FERRY SCHEME

SHIPOWNERS' OPPOSITION

Some ten years ago a scheme was brought forward in Sweden with a view to the establishment of a train-ferry service between that country and England. The project has recently been revived, and representatives of the Swedish State Railways have paid a visit to England for the purpose of making inquiries into the subject. During their stay in England the representatives were entertained by the Swedish Chamber of Commerce in London, where an outline of the scheme was put forward.

The President of the Chamber, in the course of the discussion which ensued, is reported to have stated that Immingham as the port of arrival did not specially attract him as compared with the new arrangements at Tilbury, where the new floating landing-stage would be ready next year.

On the other hand the representative in London of two Swedish shipping companies pointed out that there is already in operation a line between the river Humber and Gothenburg, which was established over sixty years, and belongs to the Elherman-Wilson Line, of Hull. According to information received by this representative from the Hull company, the latter would not withdraw from the Hull-Gothenburg traffic, but would utilize all the means at its command to contest the ferry service. Thus if the Swedish State Railways plan should be realised the ferry would meet with powerful opposition, which would considerably affect the State calculations. Moreover, it is reckoned that the establishment of the ferry would cause inconceivable injury to the Swedish shipping undertakings, which already maintain on a commercial basis connections between the two countries, and which are said to be doing their best to improve and increase in accordance with the requirements of the traffic.

FRENCH SHIPPING

PREFERENCE FOR BRITISH EQUIPMENT

Even when the rate of exchange had dropped to over 200 francs to the pound it was observed that French ship-owners continued to place with British firms many orders for various auxiliaries for their vessels; principally because of the high reputation in this country of the articles; but also because of the advantage of quicker delivery. While the rate of exchange has turned to more reasonable conditions, the Custom duties have been notably increased but orders continue to be placed to a great extent with the same British firms, according to investigations carefully made in French shipping circles.

For instance, in the case of oil-burning equipments, the Wallend-Howden system as developed by the Wallend Slipway and Engineering Co. is growing in popularity with the French merchant marine. This is apparent from the recent installations made on the Cie Sud Atlantique's liners "Massilia" and "Lutetia," whose conversion to oil-burning has proved so successful in reducing the time for turn-round in ports at both ends of voyages between Bordeaux and South America. Then there is also the installation just carried out on the C.G.T.'s liner "Timgad," engaged in the Mediterranean service.

A further example of British progress in the equipment of French vessels is that of Messrs. S. G. Brown's electric specialties. A Brown gyro-compass has recently been fitted on the "Massilia," while the largest liner, the "De-de-France," and a number of other vessels, had previously been equipped with the instrument. Then "Brown" electro-megaphones have also been fitted on a large number of French ships. Then the steering gear manufactured by Messrs. Brown has been ordered for the two sister motor tankers "Rhea" and "Roxane" (the biggest French tankers) and for the Messageries Maritimes motor liner "Felix-Roussel."

Other British inventions in demand are the ventilation system of the Thermo-tank Ltd., the Cumberland-electrolytic system for the protection of boilers and condensers and Messrs. J. Stone and Co. for propellers and water-tight doors. The Stone propellers are to be fitted on a new French 10,000-ton cruiser.

IN THE HARBOUR

SEQUEL TO ROBBERY OF A SAMPAN WOMAN

TWO MEN GET 5 YEARS'

The story of how two men boarded a sampan on October 29, under the pretence that they were searching for opium or contraband was related at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan).

A charge of robbery by two or more was preferred against the two men, Pun Tak and Ko Cho, who were alleged to have robbed Fan Mei of a purse containing a gold ring and \$140 in money.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, who prosecuted for the Crown, stated that the three men after they had boarded the sampan, searched the woman, and took from her a purse and its contents.

An alarm was raised, and the two prisoners, who had jumped into the water, were caught.

The jury found both prisoners guilty and his Lordship sentenced each to five years' imprisonment with hard labour.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS

FLAGSHIP LEFT TO-DAY FOR SANDAKAN

H.M.S. "Kent" (flying the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, Bart., Commander-in-Chief, China) left Hong Kong at 2 p.m. to-day for Sandakan, the first port of call on a southern cruise.

H.M.S. "Hermes," the aircraft carrier, is expected to arrive from Manila at 5 p.m. H.M.S. "Bluebell" arrived this morning from Takao.

H.M.'s Australian Submarines left Colombo yesterday for Belawan.

STEAMER'S DEBTS

ADMIRALTY COURT JUDGMENT

Mr. Justice Bateson, in the Admiralty Court, heard claims against the steamer "Frey," a Norwegian vessel, by Smith's Dock Co., Ltd., Middlesbrough, and Messrs. Vivian and Co., Cardiff, respectively, for repairs, fitting and machinery supplied at Middlesbrough and bunkers supplied at Sunderland in April last.

Mr. Cyril Miller appeared for the applicants (instructed by Messrs. Crossman, Block, Matthews and Crossman, agents for Messrs. Headley and Thompson, Sunderland), and by Messrs. Andrew Jackson and Co., Hull (London agents), Messrs. Pritchards and Son).

Mr. Cyril Miller opened his application for judgment as in default of appearance by the defendants, but as his statement went on he said that Messrs. Botterell and Roche were in attendance, and did not wish the vessel to be sold. She was arrested by the Marshal at the instance of Smith's Dock Co., and on October 3 the court made an order for appraisal and sale of the vessel. The appraisal had been made, but the sale had not taken place.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

Mr. Justice Bateson said Messrs. Botterell and Roche would be able to take such steps as they wished in the Registry. No doubt a sale could be prevented by payment.

Mr. Miller said Smith's Dock Co.'s claim was for £1,083 for repairs carried out in their yard at Middlesbrough, and the other necessities men were claiming for supplies. There were likely to be other claims against the ship. Smith's Dock Co. were first with their notice; Messrs. Vivian were three days within time, and everything was in order.

Mr. Justice Bateson said he would enter judgment in favour of both claimants and make a reference to the Registrar to examine the accounts, and all priorities would be reserved. In both cases judgment would be entered, with costs.

The B.I. s.s. "Gazara" left Singapore for this port on Dec. 11 afternoon, and was due here to-day at about 11 a.m.

The B.L. s.s. "Benmoor" from Europe and Straits left Singapore for this port Dec. 14, and is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Shanghai on Dec. 17 at 4.30 p.m., left Shanghai yesterday at noon, and is due at Hong Kong to-morrow afternoon. She leaves for Manila to-morrow evening.

The P. & O. s.s. "Naldara" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 3.30 p.m., and is due here on December 21 at about 7 a.m.

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*ALIPORE	5,273	24th Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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TILAWA	10,006	3rd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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*ALIPORE	5,273	1st Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
SANTHIA	7,764	2nd Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
MOREA	10,953	4th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
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THE TARIFF QUESTION
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PORT RIVALRY

An important point is raised in the Italian commercial Press in connection with the rivalry between the ports of Trieste and Hamburg and the rearrangement of the German railway tariff. It is argued that any raising of the German railway tariff must inevitably affect in an unfavourable manner the traffic of Trieste with Southern Germany. For the overwhelmingly larger number of goods—that is to say, for all those articles of merchandise for which seaport tariffs have hitherto existed—the rates have been increased only towards the south, but not to the north, as the exceptional tariffs to the German seaports have been excluded in principle from the increase.

Among the more important import and export goods whose withdrawal from the Adriatic is feared in Trieste shipping and commercial circles as a consequence of the raising of the German railway rates are, for example, cotton, wool, jute, hemp, Thuringian and Nuremberg goods, beer, hides, skins and rice. In addition to this the new German seaport tariff which came into operation on October 1 applies, so far as imports are concerned, to spices, groceries, tobacco, tanning materials, resin, sulphur, &c., and for exports to chemicals, drugs, dyes and leather goods. Trieste's trade in which will also be unfavourably affected by the far-reaching tariff reductions. Hence the railways more particularly interested in the Adriatic trade are being advised to make "very considerable concessions" in the Adriatic tariff in order to meet the changed situation brought about by the raising of the German tariff and the new competitive measures introduced by the Reich railway.

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It is known, states New York advices, that the International Mercantile Marine has lately made a survey of the possibilities of a service from the North Pacific to the United Kingdom and Continent ports, and that it also has been interested in the possibility of developing a service to the Mediterranean which might be operated in conjunction with the present service of the Panama Pacific Line. The second 21,000 gross ton turbo-electric ship of this line was recently launched at Newport News and the third is to be ready for service by the end of 1929.

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MOVEMENT OF STEAMER

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Tau via S'hai	HOPSANG	Sun., 30th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Tau via S'hai	YATSHING	Wed., 2nd Jan. at 7 a.m.
Moji & Kobe	SUISANG	Wed., 26th Dec. at Noon
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai.		
Moji & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Sun., 30th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	NAMSANG	Sat., 5th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Wed., 9th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Thurs., 20th Dec. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri., 11th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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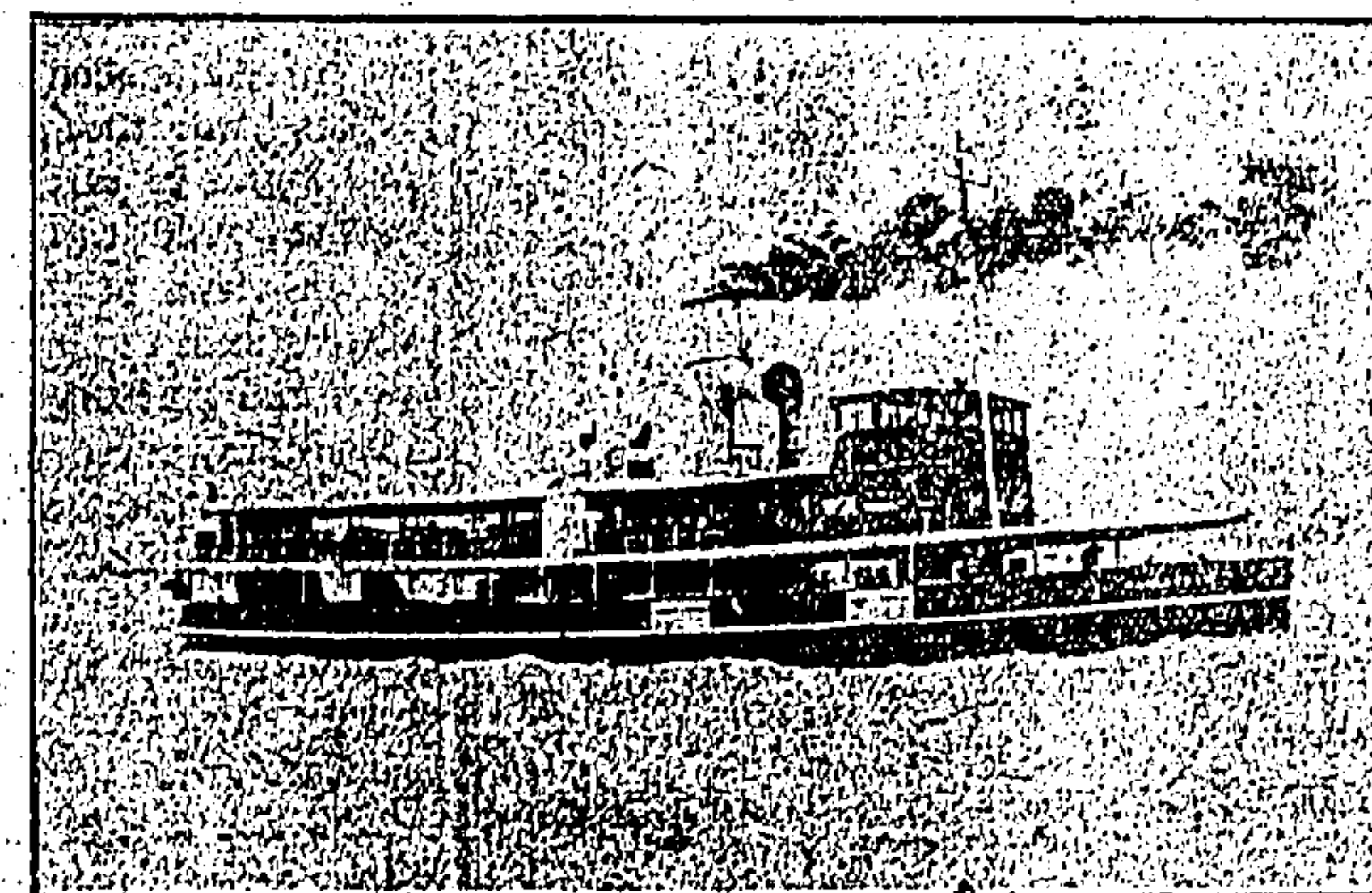
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WHAT THE AFGHAN REVOLT MEANS

When, less than a year ago, King Amanullah and his Queen made an extensive tour from their native Afghanistan into neighbouring India and thence on to Europe, in which they visited most of the important capitals, it was generally conceded that Afghanistan was fortunate in having a King and Queen so enlightened and progressive. It was evident that they realised that the time had come for Afghanistan, like China and other countries in the East, to adopt Western ideals and to make progress according to Western standards. It is now apparent that while this grand tour was being made by the rulers, others were busy in Afghanistan undermining the good work which Amanullah and those in Kabul, who thought as he did, had hoped to carry out. Soviet agents with their "Red" and rotten views of life were doing their utmost to propagate Bolshevism and that they have at least temporarily succeeded in Afghanistan, as they did for some time in China, is now very apparent.

Shortly after the return of the royal travellers to Kabul rumours were rife of internal strife, and though those were at first denied, there is now no doubt that from the first King Amanullah found his efforts towards reform hampered in many ways, the chief obstacles being those that had arisen consequent upon the spread of the "Red" doctrines of Russia. Yesterday

the cables informed us that Amanullah and his Queen had been compelled to take refuge in a fort, as the Army had gone against them and those helping them in their praiseworthy efforts of reform. Considerable concern has naturally been aroused in London and elsewhere, as nothing definite could be learned of the foreign Ministers and their staffs in Kabul and of the other white residents of the Legations and the adjacent buildings. Sir Francis Humphreys, the British Minister, had not been able to send any report of the serious attack upon Kabul. Lady Humphreys, it was known, was with her husband and there were sixteen British and European people in the capital while there were also some 2,000 other British subjects in various parts of the country. Later news is of a more reassuring character, but it is much too vague to be regarded as reliable.

What is certain is that despite all that Amanullah and those supporting him have been doing to place Afghanistan on the true path of progress and prosperity the forces of reaction have, at least meantime, got the upper hand and placed the King, his consort and their followers in a quandary that is gravely serious if it is true that the Army is also opposing them. Happily, this is now doubted, and it would appear that the chief anxiety regarding the King's position in Kabul was caused by brigand raids. This is not improbable as there are today, as there have always been, large numbers of bandits on Afghanistan's frontiers. The Afghans include no less than five races, the most important and best known of which are the Pathans—the Afghans who live near the Indian frontier. The Pathans regard themselves as a white race and call themselves "Beni-Israel" since they consider themselves as descended from the ten lost tribes of Israel who were carried into captivity by Nebuchadnezzar. At an early date they became Buddhists, but were converted to Islam soon after its spread to Central Asia. The country itself has an area of about 270,000 square miles, or more than twice the size of the British Isles. Its population is only some 8,000,000.

Only in one region are there gaps by which India can be reached with comparative ease by land, and it is precisely in that region that the domain of Soviet Russia approaches most nearly the

Indian frontier. But lying between the two is the proud, independent kingdom of Afghanistan. During the War, despite her Mahomedanism, and other ties binding her, somewhat to Turkey (who fought for the Germans) Afghanistan, true to her pledge to England, remained neutral. There can be little doubt that whether the present trouble in Afghanistan is the result of mere banditry, more bold than usual, or whether it is a more serious outbreak engendered by opposition to King Amanullah's reforms, it is certain that behind the trouble is the sinister machinations of the Moscow Soviet, who in Afghanistan as elsewhere continue to do their utmost to spread their corrupt "Red" doctrines.

Nanking and Opium

Although there is something Gilbertian in what has come to be known as the Shanghai opium scandal by reason of the attitude of Mr. Chang Tsiung-shan, Mayor of Greater Shanghai, who insists upon resigning, the affair has its very serious aspects. That there is something wrong somewhere no one can deny, nor, for that matter, have any denials been forthcoming. Inquiries are proceeding, we are told, and a number of individual suspensions have been effected; and perhaps the reason why no definite news has yet emanated from Nanking or Peking in regard to the scandals is because the ramifications of the opium-dealers have been so extensive that investigations are by no means complete. On the face of things, however, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and his officials are making efforts to put themselves right with the world, as witness the detention of a number of subordinates allegedly implicated, including such important underlings as Mr. Pu Chao-sen, Chief of the Shanghai Garrison. Traffic in opium, as we all know, is an activity that has such a hold upon China that no one expects the Nationalist Government to eradicate it in a week or two, or even in a month or two. Steps in the direction of suppression, of course, have to be taken before the new regime at Nanking can hope to live up to the principles it has so often enunciated, and it seems, a start has been made.

Religion in its completeness has always been the peculiarity of a minority. But its presence seems to have been necessary for collective life. Without it morality was baseless and law unjustifiable. The old faiths have become unconvincing, unsubstantial, and insincere, and, though there are clear intimations of a new faith in the world, it still awaits embodiment in formulae and organisations that will bring it into effective action upon human affairs as a whole.—H. G. Wells.

Seventeen cases of small-pox were reported in the Colony yesterday, 15 from Kowloon.

John Harvey and Sons, Ltd., the famous Bristol house of wine merchants, have issued two tasteful calendars, one in connection with their Bristol milk and cream sherry and the other in connection with their hunting port.

The Chinese who was charged with impersonating a policeman and stealing \$13 from a fellow-countryman, whom he searched in Arsenal-street on Friday night, was discharged at the Central Magistracy this morning owing to insufficiency of evidence.

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E.) reduced from \$50 to \$10 the fine imposed yesterday morning on Mr. Im Pak-hi, of Messrs. G. E. Huygen, who was absent from jury service when his name was called at the opening of the December Criminal Session at the Supreme Court. Mr. Im attended in the afternoon and apologised. He explained that he was unwell and did not go to work until late.

CORRESPONDENCE

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir—The tragedies that have been permitted in the name of Christian Science by its over-zealous devotees have largely justified the widespread prejudice against it. The Christian Science Parent Church, the independent minority movement in Christian Science, is endeavouring to bring a new spirit of sanity and common sense into the practice of mental healing. It recognises the unselfish, humanitarian

labours of the medical profession in alleviating human suffering. It is convinced that there exists a basis of co-operation on which medicine and religion may thrive together for the advancement of world health.

Since Mrs. Eddy's death, Christian Science practice has become very largely a commercialised faith-cure. The record of disease and death among Christian Scientists during the last few years is appalling. Because of a superstition that the use of a drug is an evil and the employment of medical aid tantamount to a confession that Christian Science has failed, the majority of the adherents of that faith turn to medical assistance only as a last resort, usually secretly and with the depressing conviction that they are committing a positive sin. Such an attitude tends to nullify the work of the physician and deplete the patient's mental capacity for recuperation. Frequently the doctor is called only when death is considered imminent, and to prevent, if possible, the embarrassment of an inquest.

These conditions have arisen from a misconception of Christian Science in its larger application. In order to prove to an incredulous world that the body can be healed by Mind, drugs were discarded during the early stages of the movement. Nevertheless, it is a recognised fact in Christian Science that a drug may be the medium through which the common faith and hope of the majority of mankind expresses itself. In the personal experience of Mrs. Eddy there came a time when neither her own nor her followers' unaided faith was sufficient to relieve her of serious suffering. Understanding the effect of the faith of the majority of mankind in medical science, she decided to utilise it, and gratefully availed herself of the services of reputable physicians on various occasions.

In so doing, she was consistent with her own teaching on the relation of a minority's faith in Mind-power to a majority's faith in material means. She was far in advance of her followers' practical application of Mind-Science. Had her example been intelligently followed by her students, Christian Science practice would to-day hold a higher place in the general estimation of the world. The Christian Science Parent Church was organised a few years ago under the leadership of Mrs. Annie C. Bill. It has developed branches throughout Great Britain, America, Australia, and elsewhere. Its members have been recruited almost entirely from those who have resigned from the original Christian Science organisation after they became convinced that the trend of thought within that body precluded further advancement of Mind-Science.

This organisation maintains that the work of the Christian Scientist is limited to the teaching of spiritual truth, and to removing fear and other unhealthy moral conditions. Its members are forbidden by their Church By-laws to meddle in any way with medical or surgical practice, but must leave such work to those who are qualified and legally authorised for that responsibility. Neither shall a practitioner of this Church render his services to less than both patient and attending physician request his aid.

Spiritual healing has a definite place in therapeutic practice. Therefore, in order that it may be utilised under such conditions as will keep it within its proper field and insure the maximum results, we bespeak the intelligent co-operation of the medical fraternity and the press.

Yours etc.,

A. M. VICKERY, Editor, "Christian Science Watchman," Nov. 12, 1928.

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL

THE OLD SERGEANT ELIMINATED

INTERESTING COMPARISON

Yesterday afternoon the pupils of the Quarry Bay School gave an excellent display of drill and action songs in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends of the school, including Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools.

That the children took great pleasure in the various gymnastic feats, songs and dances was evident from the wholehearted way in which they performed. That the attendance enjoyed the "show" was proved by the loud applause which greeted each item.

At the end of the display, Mr. E. Ralphs, who was an interested spectator, expressed thanks to the school staff for the entertainment. He pointed out to the parents that the old exercises with the drill sergeant were now done away with and the drills which they had just witnessed were

P'RAPS P'RAPS NOT!

Father: "The man who marries my daughter will get a prize."

Ardent Suitor: "May I see it, please?"

Teacher: "Now boys, I'll give you one more chance. Whose emblem is the leek?"

Johnny: "Please, teacher, the Plumbers' Union!"

Bill: "I see yer've 'ad yer 'air eton-cropped, Mrs. Jones."

Mrs. Jones: "Well, I 'ave an 'aven't. What 'appened was, I 'ad an accident with the gas-stove."

Editor: "What have you there?"

Youthful Poet: "A sonnet addressed to the west wind."

Editor: "Well, the window's open."

Jem: "Well, how do you find marriage, Jack?"

Jack: "H'm. During courtship I talked and she listened. After marriage she talked and I listened. Now we both talk and the neighbours listen."

A teacher was taking her class one day, when she asked the following question:—

"Whose emblem is the leek?"

A bright pupil raised his hand and replied eagerly, "Please, Miss, the plumbers!"

"These firemen must be a frivolous lot," said Mrs. Dumpling.

"Why?" asked her husband.

"Well, this paper says that after the fire was under control the firemen played all night on the ruin. Now, why couldn't they go home and go to bed like sensible men, instead of romping about like a lot of children?"

Wife (at January sales): "I promised to meet my husband in this department over an hour ago. I was wondering if you had noticed him."

Shopwalker: "How would you describe him, madam? Fresh coloured?"

Wife: "Oh, no. He'd be white with rage by this time."

It was a very cold morning, and Mr. Jinks was stamping about the sitting-room of his lodgings. Just then the landlady appeared with his breakfast and he remarked, "I see the glass has fallen again."

"The what, sir?"

"The barometer has fallen again."

"Well, sir, if it has," replied the woman, "it must have been the cat, for I'm sure I have not meddled with it."

The minister advertised for a man to make himself useful in the house and garden, and that evening a young fellow called on him.

"Well," said the minister, "can you clean boots?"

"I think I could," said the young man, looking surprised.

"Can you clean windows?"

"I'll try."

"Are you good at work in the garden?"

"Fairly."

"Can you wash dishes and polish silver?"

"Gracious," exclaimed the young fellow, "is it as bad as that?"

"As bad as what?" asked the minister in surprise.

"Well, you see," explained the young man, "I'm going to get married and I came to ask you to publish the banns."

The wealthy merchant had taken his twenty-year old son into his business, but was disappointed to discover that town pleasures were proving far more attractive to the young man than business activities.

One day, when the son left the office ostensibly to keep a business appointment, the father decided to follow him. He did, and found that his son headed straight towards a certain club to which he belonged. After waiting a while outside, the father entered the club and eventually ran his son to earth in the smoking-room with a bottle of whisky on his table.

"Oh, but really, Dad," said the young man, "I must have my fling."

"He'm!" said the father, eyeing the bottle of Scotch. "But it needn't be a Highland fling."

stituted. The present method was not only very useful but was also enjoyable.

Mr. Ralphs mentioned that he had recently returned from Home and assured the parents that what was being taught in local schools was as good as, if not better than, in England or Scotland.

SOCIETY WEDDING

KAI TACK OFFICER AND MISS BIRD

H.K.V.D.C. COL'S DAUGHTER

Hong Kong Society and the Services took great interest in the wedding, late yesterday afternoon, at St. John's Cathedral, of Lieut. Kenneth Wales Beard, Royal Navy, who is attached to H.M.S. "Tamar" for Observer duties with the Fleet Air Arm Flights of the Royal Air Force, Kai Tack aerodrome, and Miss Margaret Elsie Bird.

The bride is the daughter of Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, and principal of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, architects, etc., and of Mrs. Bird, No. 28, the Penk. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wales Beard.

The Very Rev. Alfred Swann, D.S.C., M.A., officiated.

Four Bridesmaids—Lt. Col. Bird gave his daughter away. Lt. G. C. Trencham, R.N., who came out with the bridegroom and is also attached to the R.A.F., was best man.

The ushers were Lt. J. W. M. Healing, R.N., Flying Officer Webb, R.A.F., Flying Officer May, R.A.F., Lt. C. N. Joy, R.A.F., Mr. I. E. L. Mackay and Mr. H. Owen Hughes.

The bride wore a dress of ivory chiffon velvet. Her train was lined with gold tissue and embroidered with pearls. Her veil was of tulle. She carried a trail of cream chrysanthemums and orange blossoms.

There were four bridesmaids, the Misses Reta Hazeldan, Dorothea Bewley, Eileen Stubblings and Eileen de Biere. They wore dresses of green taffeta and net, also gold tissue caps, and carried bouquets of gold chrysanthemums.

The Reception
Mrs. Bird, the bride's mother, wore a dress of corse georgette with a black coat, and a hat of black and gold sequins.

The hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" was sung as the bride party walked up the aisle. Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was played at the end of the service.

The bride and bridegroom walked through the porch under an archway of swords held by officers, and the bride car was towed to Volunteer Headquarters, where the reception was held, by contingents from the R.A.F. and from H.M.S. "Tamar."

A mammoth wedding cake weighing 80 lbs., supplied by Lane, Crawford, Ltd., was cut.

Squadron Leader C. E. H. C. Macpherson, officer commanding Royal Air Force, Kai Tack, proposed the health of the bride (whose birthday it was) and bridegroom, referring to the crashes the latter has had in Hong Kong, "twice on the aerodrome and, like Jonah, has been cast up by the sea on Gau Tau Rock after his aeroplane sank."

The bridegroom replied and proposed the health of the bridesmaids.

Among the guests were H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) and Mrs. Southern, Mrs. Luard and Miss Luard, the Rt. Rev. C. R. Duppuy (Bishop of Victoria), Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Captain A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C., Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Hon. A.D.C. Valuable Presents

Among the many valuable presents were a diamond and platinum brooch (from the bridegroom to the bride), a gold watch (gift of the bride to the bridegroom), a blackwood tray with glass and Chinese embroidery (from the Hon. Mr. W. T. and Mrs. Southern), an inscribed silver salver (Officers, R.A.F. base), a silver coffee and tea set (Officers, H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps) and a coffee set (from Officers of H.M.S. "Serapis").

The honeymoon is to be spent in Baguio, in the Philippine Islands.

The bride's travelling dress is of grey crepe with pale pink georgette collar and cuffs, matched by a grey felt hat.

PROTECTION

London, Yesterday.
The Yorkshire Worsteds Spinners Operatives' Federation ballot shows a large majority in favour of the safeguarding proposal for the dress goods industry.—British Wireless Service.

It is understood that Mr. W. E. ("Busbyfoot") Johnson is arriving in Shanghai on the a.s. "President Wilson" on December 24. Mr. Johnson, who is travelling in the interest of the World League Against Alcoholism, is desirous of getting in touch, during his short stay in Shanghai, with persons who are interested in this movement.

An official denial is issued in Madrid to the reports that the heir to the throne of Spain, the Prince of the Asturias, is in bad health.

UNION CHURCH

COMMITTEE'S REPORT READ AT ANNUAL MEETING

THE NEW CHURCH

Last evening the annual meeting of the Kowloon Union Church was held in the premises of the Church at Jordan-road, under the chairmanship of the pastor, the Rev. J. Horace Johnston. He was supported by the Rev. F. C. Young, Minister of the Union Church, Kennedy-road.

There was a good attendance of the congregation.

The Committee's report stated inter alia:—

The work has been well maintained throughout the year, the attendance at the Services during the summer being particularly encouraging.

The contributions to the Funds have been generous, and have slightly exceeded the estimates so that a useful balance of \$314 is carried over to next year. It should be noted, however, that a sum of no less than \$3,146 has been drawn from interest on the Sir Paul Chater Donation.

Besides the subsidy towards current expenses, entered in our accounts, several items of equipment have been paid for by the Trustees of that Fund.

A good piano has been provided for use in the Sunday School and at social meetings. The Social Committee have undertaken to defray the cost by means of a series of concerts, and have nearly completed their task.

The Choir

The sustained interest in the Services during the summer was partly due to the fine work done by the choir, which has been greatly appreciated. Thanks are due to Mr. Chapman for his leadership during nearly two years, and during the last six months to Mr. Frank White, who has put his whole heart into the work.

A present of the value of \$95, was made to Mr. Andrews on his departure in recognition of his faithful service as organist. We hereby tender thanks to Mr. Phillips for help with the instrument during the early part of the year, and to Mrs. White, who was appointed Honorary Organist in August.

The Sunday School continues to increase, and the sympathetic interest of the Congregation is invited to the report which the Sunday School's secretary will present.

A Women's Guild was formed at the beginning of the Year in accordance with the resolution passed at the last annual meeting, and the venture has proved most successful. Their work will be summarised in a separate report.

An effort is being made to organize a Young People's Society in connection with the Church, and several promising meetings have been held.

When the Rev. Kirk Macdonald left the Colony, a farewell meeting was arranged in this Church and a blackwood cabinet of his own choice, costing \$185, was presented to him with a silver plate commemorating his zeal and enterprise in founding this Cause. This brings the total amount raised by the congregation for all purposes to \$6,318.23.

The Church Site

The question of the Church site occupied much attention through the year, and as the reservation in Ma Tau Wei was considered too remote, application was made through the Union Church, Hong Kong, for the Jordan Road corner where we are, which the Government has kindly granted, us for the erection of a Church and other necessary buildings. The cost of erecting a Church to seat about 300 persons and a six-roomed Manse, including the preparation of the site but not including any furniture, is estimated by the architects at \$69,000.

Marriage was solemnised six times in the Church during the period under review.

Women's Guild

Mrs. Nelson read the report of the Women's Guild. As a result of the recent sale of work \$354.50 was collected. The Guild has now a credit balance in hand of \$511.08.

The Sunday School's activities were also read out to the meeting, and gave indications of both a prosperous and growing institution.

The meeting decided that in future the Subscribers' List be done away with, and the funds for the Church be collected under the "Envelope System." Those who wish to join the Union Church, Kowloon, are in future to be invited to sign a Church Roll, and will be supplied with a Promise Form, where they can note down the amount of their weekly offering, together with name and address, and envelopes will be forwarded to them by the Church with which they can contribute the promised offering from time to time.

AMALGAMATION

London, Yesterday.
Sir Arthur Dorman, presiding at the annual meeting of Dorman Longs foreshadowed an amalgamation of the Company with Bolckow Vaughan's.—Reuter.

COMEDY PLAY

"WHY SAILORS GO WRONG"

AT THE QUEEN'S

Again we have been given an opportunity of seeing this laughable film. Featuring Sally Phipps, Nick Stuart, and Sammy Cohen, the tale deals with their screamingly funny adventures ashore, on the sea and, last of all, on an island. And such an island, too! The narrow escapades of Mac and Sammie provide thrills, while their funny antics give the laughs from start to finish. Continually arguing about money, this pair always seem to be in danger, but they get out of it quickly if it is only to land in more.

"FAZIL"

STAR OF "7TH HEAVEN" IN NEW ROLE

A lavish screen version of Pierre Frondaie's famous French stage play "L'Insomnie," arrives at the Queen's Theatre to-day where it will remain the feature attraction until Saturday.

The screen play has been released under the title "Fazil" since it concerns the love affairs of Fazil, Prince of Araby. The story opens in Venice whither the prince has been sent on a diplomatic mission. He meets there Fabienne, a Parisienne of startling beauty and sweeps her off her feet with his swift love making, marries her and carries her back to his domain in the desert where their happiness is short-lived because Fabienne refuses to bow to her husband's ancient marriage laws. This precipitates a tense and absorbing drama and a number of exciting scenes are enacted before the climax which is quite unusual and which arrives at an unexpected moment. Charles Farrell, "Chico" in Venice, is played by Greta Nissen. "Fazil" had an extended run both in London and New York, and in Shanghai, where it was recently shown, broke all records.

VICTORIA SCHOOL

(Continued from Page 1.)

Class 91:—Billy Pryde, Mary Joy Parsons, Ross Robertson, Mickey Gibson, Derek Hollidge, Chas. Evans, Jack Kelly, for Proficiency.

Class 911:—Sheila Bruce.

Class 101:—Jean Ewing, Moira Wattie, Walter Evans, for Proficiency.

Class 1011:—Peter Brooksbank, Arnold Brooksbank, Colin de Rome, Roy de Rome, Annette Gibson, Michael Odell, for Proficiency.

The Plays

Those taking part in the plays were:—

Play by pupils of Class 10: "One Christmas Eve."

Characters: A Mother, Sheila Bruce; Children, Beverleigh Bultitude, Peter Brooksbank, Dorothy Kelly, Mildred Kelly, Eileen Barnett, Dorothy Salmon, Roy de Rome, Colin de Rome, Michael Odell, Peter Hoesgood, John Anderson, Alan Anderson, Fleming Kimnaird and Pat Barnett; a Clown doll, Walter Evans; a fairy doll, Annette Gibson; a goliwog, Arnold Brooksbank; a Dutch doll, Moira Wattie; a Christmas Fairy—Jean Ewing.

Play by pupils of Class 9: Characters: Joan, Mary Joy Parsons; Teddy Bear, Hyton Edmondson; Goliwog, Rose Robertson; Mr. Mouse, Mickey Gibson; Mrs. Mouse, Sheila Bruce; Baby Mice, Charlie Evans, Geoff, Stone, Billy Pryde, Derek Hollidge and Terry Lockhart; dolls, Sheila Bruce, Jack Kelly, Jackie Odell, John Thornhill, and Billy Hoesgood.

Play by pupils of Class 8: "Sir Lancelot and Elaine" (dramatised by Miss M. J. Stuart).

Scene: The Court of King Arthur at Camelot.

King Arthur, Harry Middleton; Queen, Betty Evans; Elaine, Mary Joy Parsons; Sir Lancelot, Frank Hughes; Bishop, David Parsons; First Lady, Vivienne Hollidge; First Knight, Henry Bunje; Second Lady, Nancy Duckworth; Second Knight, Mac Sayers; Harold, Eric Stone; Dumb Bowman, Billy Gegg; Choir Boys, Mac Sayers, Eric Stone.

After the distribution of prizes, Mrs. Southern was presented with a lovely basket of chrysanthemums, and the children gave her three hearty cheers and a "tiger."

NOTICE

FANEING HUNT

ALL HOUND PURSUITS are cancelled until further notice owing to an outbreak of distemper.

The Meet on SUNDAY, 23rd instant will be at the Hunters Arms at 11 a.m. and will take the form of a "Cross-Country Scramble."

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Another batch of 950 disbanded soldiers were sent back from Shanghai to their homes by the C.M.S. "Kwangles" last Sunday. These men come for the most part from Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

The Cantonese seaplane, "Spirit of the Pearl River," has been repaired and flown to Foochow, says the Chinese press. The aviators, however, were again compelled to alight near the Chekiang coast on account of the stormy weather.

Sentence of three months' rigorous imprisonment was passed by the Second Police Magistrate (Mr. W. N. Gourlay) at Singapore on a Tamil lorry driver who struck a 75-year-old compatriot on the head with a stick, inflicting a deep wound.

Snow fell in Shanghai about 10 p.m. on the 8th inst. For about five minutes flakes were observed in the air, but not in sufficient quantity to lie on the ground. The wind at the time was north-west, whereas it had been north-north-east, it is probable that there would have been quite a heavy fall.

The Ipoh correspondent of the "Malayan Daily Express" writes: "As regards the discovery of a rich tin vein on Meru Tin," it is now stated that the output averages 50 piculs daily. Mr. J. B. Scrivenor, the Geologist, has visited the site. It is believed that the vein may lead to a rich lode. Another rich patch of tin has been discovered on a Trochop property belonging to Mr. F. J. Bryant, the well-known lawyer."

The "North China Standard" (Peking) says that the appointment of Mr. Harold Porter, formerly of H.M. Consular Service, as general manager of the Peking Syndicate is regarded in China as of especial significance. His familiarity with Chinese affairs is markedly extensive and he will bring to the delicate task of representing the Peking Syndicate great force and brilliancy. It may forecast a renewed attempt to revive the moribund affairs of the Syndicate in China, a condition brought about by the refusal or inability of Feng Yushiang to co-operate in re-opening the Honan coal mines which are the property of the British corporation. Mr. Kenrick has made constant efforts to take the military grip off the British mines and repeated representations have been made to the Marshal to assist, but without success and it is regarded as fortunate, indeed, that the pumps on the property have been permitted to function so that vast damage might be avoided. The loss of his services will be severely felt by the company.

An inquest was opened at the British Consulate-General, Tientsin, on Nov. 28 before Mr. A. G. N. Ogden, sitting as Coroner, on the body of Mrs. R. M. Villiers, late proprietor of an establishment in the ex-German Concession known as the Villiers Club, frequented by gamblers, Chinese and foreign, but recently closed after a police raid.

Mrs. Villiers, says the "North China Daily Mail," was about 40 years of age, smart in appearance and not without education. She was believed to have separated from her husband in Shanghai, and came to Tientsin a few months ago, when she made the acquaintance of Mr. Ralph Lu alias Lulu, of the Chinese Police service, formerly assistant director of the ex-German Concession, and other persons of his sort.

The evidence showed that when doctors were summoned to attend Mrs. Villiers a bottle containing tablets of voronal and corrosive sublimates were found on a table by her bed. She was removed to hospital where she died, and the postmortem showed that death was due to a combination of corrosive and narcotic poisoning. The inquest was adjourned.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE MAIL

To-day—Queen's Theatre "Fazil." To-day—World Theatre: "Acroas The Pacific."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Beau Geste."

To-day—Theatre Royal: "Tom Jones," 4.30 p.m.

Dec. 20-22—World Theatre: "The Magic Flame" (at 5.15 and 9.15); Chinese picture "Nemesis" part I (at 2.30 and 15).

Dec. 20-22—Star Theatre "The Flame of Yukon."

Dec. 23-24—Queen's Theatre: "Rose Marie."

Dec. 23-24—World Theatre: "Stage Struck," at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m. Chinese picture "Nemesis" part II, at 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

Dec. 23-24—Star Theatre: "The Quarterback."

Dec. 25-26—Queen's Theatre: "Hulu."

Dec. 25-26—World Theatre: "The Better Ole."

Dec. 25-26—Star Theatre: "Hot Water."

Land Sale
Dec. 24—At P. W. D. Offices, one lot of Crown Land at Samshupo, 3 p.m.

Lamimerts Auction
Dec. 20—At Sales Room, Duddell-st., a nice selection of articles comprising jewellery, fancy goods, and toys, 2.30 p.m.

Sports
To-day—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "A" vs. "D," 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 20—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI vs. Club de Recreio, 5 p.m.

Dec. 21—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, Postponed League Matches, 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 23—"Cross-country scramble" at Hunters Arms, 11 a.m.

Dec. 28—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI vs. H. K. Club "A," 5 p.m.

Miscellaneous
Dec. 23—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Quiet hour, Speaker, Mr. J. H. Hunt.

Dec. 25—Christmas Day, H.K.Y.M.C.A. Christmas Tiffin. Members will invite Service Guests, 1 p.m.

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FINANCE VOTES

GOVERNMENT TO ASK FOR
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CIVIL SERVANTS' LEAVE

Twenty votes totalling \$78,268 will be submitted to the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at the meeting to-morrow, same being asked for by the Government to supplement the expenditure of 1928.

The biggest item is of \$60,000, required for transport of Government servants because the cost of such has been under-estimated. Provision was made in the Estimates for \$200,000. The vote to October 31 has been over-amount by approximately \$9,000, and it is expected that a further sum of \$51,000 will be required to meet Crown Agents' account for the months of September to December and local expenditure for November and December. The period of service qualifying for leave has been reduced and heavy recruitment of 1923-4 has resulted in an increase in the number of officers proceeding on leave during the current year. The vote for 1929 has increased to \$230,000. Other votes are:—

Sanitary Department:—Disinfectors, \$200.

Miscellaneous Services:—Colonial Advisory Medical and Sanitary Committee, \$76.

Police Force:—Incidental Expenses, \$400, due to the expenses incurred by Mr. T. H. King whilst attending course of instruction at Scotland Yard. (£38 13s. 6d. at 2/0½ = \$382.76).

Public Works, Recurrent:—Water meters, Hong Kong, to meet necessary maintenance charges, to the end of the year, \$5,000.

Audit Department:—To meet travelling expenses, \$35.

Sanitary Department:—Burial of infected bodies, \$500.

Sanitary Department:—Bonuses to Dispensary Licentiates and Clerks for vaccination and registration of births, \$450.

Sanitary Department:—Transport, \$150. There has been more call than was anticipated owing to travelling expenses for gangs employed in special anti-malaria measures in outlying areas.

H.E. the Governor:—Incidental expenses, \$250. As a result of various official visits to Hong Kong this year, there has been a heavier expenditure than usual.

Public Works, Extraordinary:—Constructing additional storey Colonial Secretariat building and contingent work, \$2,500.

Public Works Department:—Transport and travelling expenses, to meet transport expenses to end of year, \$1,000.

Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature:—Personal emoluments, \$132. The deficiency in the vote is due to the engagement of one additional confidential assistant and stenographer and the increase of salary of the senior confidential assistant and stenographer.

Miscellaneous Services:—Language study allowances, \$3,500. Sanitary Department:—Rent of quarters for scavenging coolies, \$190.

Royal Observatory:—Personal emoluments, payments for evening map, \$600.

Audit Department:—Personal emoluments, \$2,433.

Kowloon-Canton Railway:—Power, electric fans and light E-4-9 Central Mechanical Works, \$600.

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps:—Personal emoluments, (Adjutant, Pension—Contribution), \$170.

FORGED NOTES

MORE ABOUT "THE
ELUSIVE CHAN"
HOW HE GOT AWAY

After further evidence had been heard, Mr. R. E. Lindeell, yesterday afternoon, further adjourned the case in which a number of Chinese men and women are charged with conspiracy to utter in the Colony forged \$50 (1923 issue) banknotes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The "elusive Chan Wing," alleged to have been the prime mover in the conspiracy, who succeeded in escaping, was again referred to by a second Chinese detective, who also took part in the negotiations for the purchase of the spurious notes.

This man said that after his foki had handed over \$2,000 to buy \$4,000 worth of forged notes, Chan Wing sent subordinates to fetch the counterfeiters. In the meantime, police were watching the house where the transaction was being carried out (No. 114, Des Voeux-road Central). The pre-arranged signal was that a lighted cigarette was to have been dropped from the verandah by one of the detectives on the completion of the "deal." Unhappily, at the delay in the giving of the signal, caused the police to move closer to the house.

Then Chan Wing decided that he would go out himself to look for his subordinates. He saw the watchers, and returning to the house, he promptly broke up the meeting by announcing that the police was being watched and the "game was up." He suggested a general move to the Meichau Hotel and complete the "deal."

The detectives went to the hotel, but the wily Chan Wing, who had evidently suspected the supposed buyers never turned up. He promptly made his escape and was not seen again.

Police then decided to raid first No. 49, Queen's-road East which was frequented by Chan Wing and his gang where several arrests were made. Afterwards No. 114, Des Voeux-road Central and Chan Wing's living room in Jardine-bazaar were visited. Here further arrests were made and a number of "exhibits" seized.

It was explained in evidence yesterday that the delay in the bringing back of the forged notes was due to one "Slick" Nam double-crossing the gang by absconding with money paid to him as deposit against the delivery of the notes. When Chan Wing learned of this he became nervous and decided to take his departure also.



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5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.—Demonstration Programme.

7.45 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.—Evening Programme. (Columbia Records).

"League of Nations"—Fox Trot

"Nocturne"—Fox Trot

McElroy's Spanish Ball Room Band.

"Just a Little Bit O' Driftwood"—Fox Trot

"Out-O'-Town Gal"—Paul Whiteman.

"When Erastus Plays His Old Kazoo"—Fox Trot

"My Little Home"—Garden Dancing Palace Orch.

"Last Night I Dreamed You Kissed Me"—Fox Trot

"Evening Star"—Paul Whiteman.

"Felix The Cat"—Fox Trot

"Mother Goose Parade"—Paul Whiteman.

"Siegfried"—Grand Fantasy

Garde Republicaine Band.

"Chorale Prelude on the Old 104th Psalm"

Organ Solo by Dr. A. W. Wilson.

"When the Crimson Sun Had Set"

Manchester Cathedral Choir.

"Christmas Memories"

A Dream Fantasy

Herman Finck and his Orchestra.

"Our Child"—Charles E. Moran.

"Elder Eatmore's Sermon on Throwing Stones"

Charles E. Moran.

"Lucia Di Lammermoor"

(a) Spargue Un Amaro Planto

(b) Alfin Son Tua

Maria Gentile.

"Rondo in E. Flat Major"

"Viennese Dance No. 1"

Piano Solo by Ignaz Friedman.

"Siellienne"

"Shmober Song"

Cello Solo by W. H. Squire.

"Casse Noisette Suite"

B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra.

"Christmas Melodies"

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

Paul Whiteman.

"Rosamunde"—Overture

Halle Orchestra.

"Le Coq D'Or"

(a) Russian Dance

(b) Bridal procession

B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra.

10 p.m.—British Official Wireless Press.

"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 8"

Piano Solo by Ethel Leginska.

"The Merry Widow"

"The Chocolate Soldier"

Paul Whiteman.

"Faust"—Selections

Columbia Symphony Orchestra.

God Save The King.

Close Down.

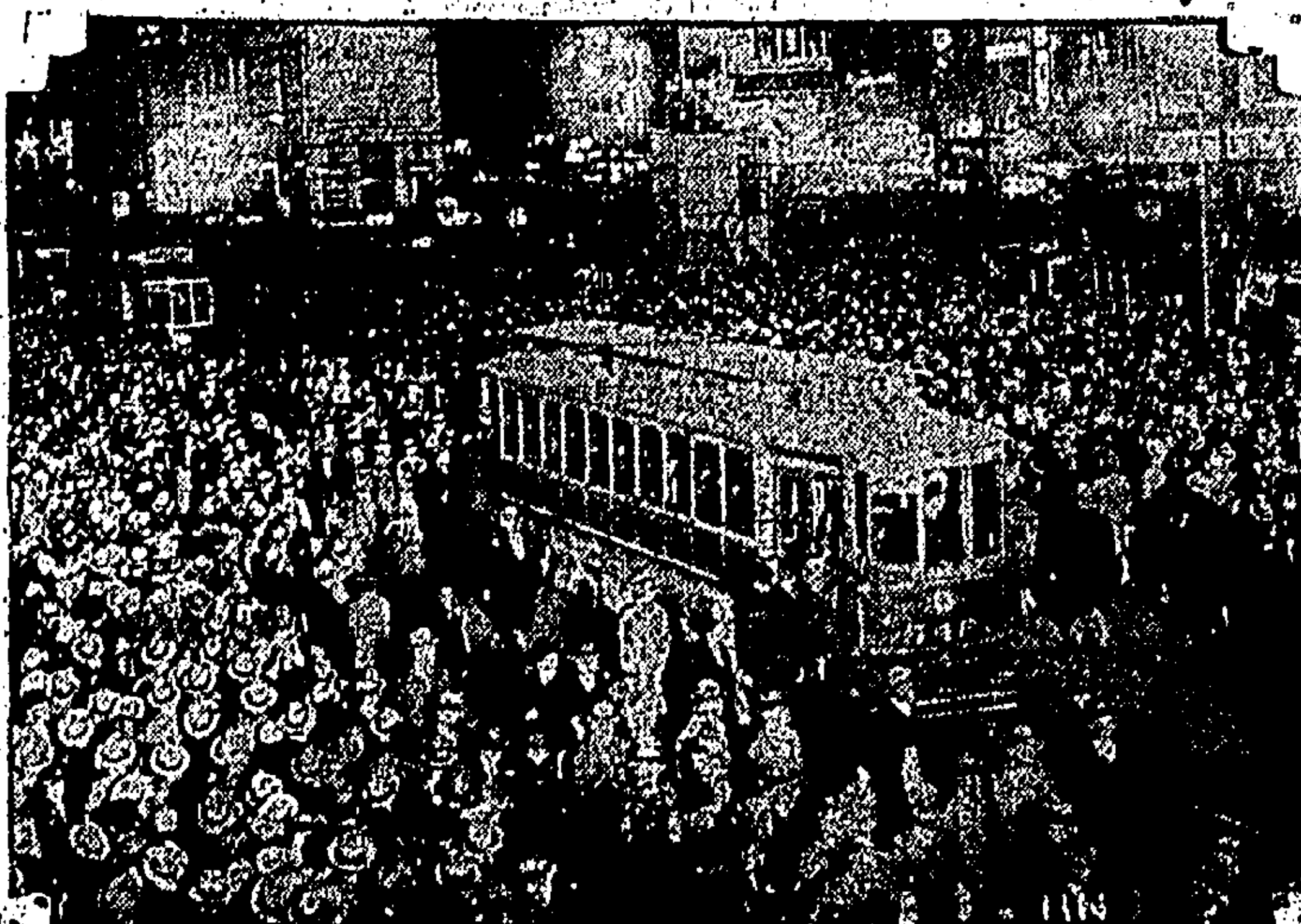
"SPIRIT OF CANTON"

General Cheung Wai-cheung, in a Ryan monoplane, the "Spirit of Canton," completed his cross-country flight yesterday—the first carried out in China.

He arrived at Canton at 2.15 p.m. from Nanchang, where he alighted on Monday (owing to unfavourable conditions) after setting out from Shanghai.

General Cheung was met by Marshal Li Chai-sun and others. He left Canton on Nov. 11 for Hankow, Peking, Mukden, Tientsin and Shanghai. The only "mishap" was the unexpected landing at Nanchang, in Kangsi, half way between Shanghai and Canton.

Election Night



Here is just a part of a crowd of 500,000 men, women and children which jammed Times-square almost to suffocation on Election night. The photo showing some of the vehicles which were imprisoned in its midst for more than two hours.

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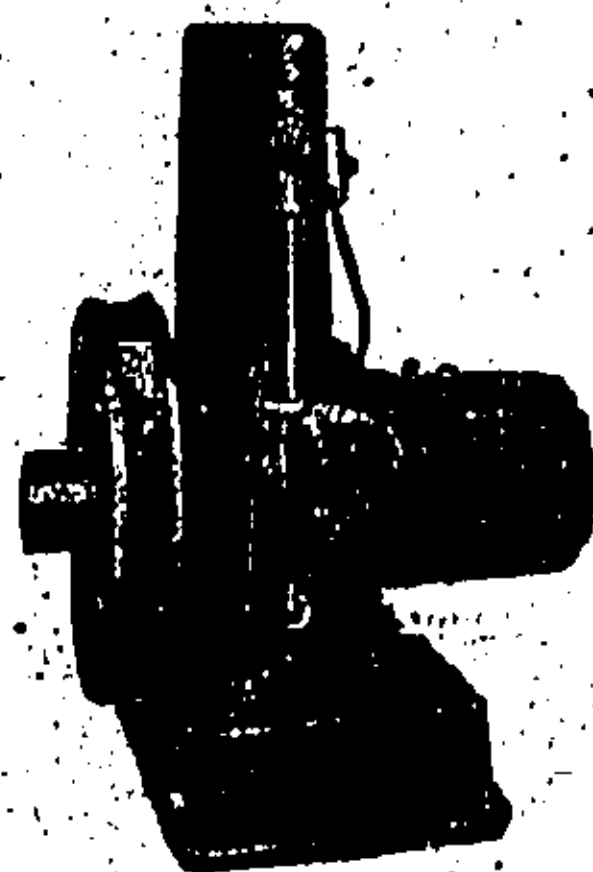
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ARMY SURPRISED IN SOCCER MATCH

CHARITY GAME

The annual Services' charity match at the Valley attracted a good crowd yesterday, the Service element predominating, and although Army had done so well lately, the Navy selectors were quietly confident that the Navy team fielded would render a good account of themselves. They did, winning by four goals to one.

The Commander-in-Chief (H.E. Vice Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, Bart.), H.E. the G.O.C. Troops, South China and Commodore R. A. S. Hill were present at the kick-off.

The Bands of the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment and the 2nd K.O.S.B. Regiment were in attendance, the former playing in the grand stand while the Pipers of the Borderers gave their usual artistic display of stirring music on the playing pitch.

Splendid weather favoured the occasion and when the teams lined out Navy were greeted with "Hearts of Oak" and Army heralded with the "British Grenadiers."

The teams were out as follows:—

Navy:—Brockman ("Titania"), MacGregor ("Kent"), Baker ("Titania"), Cope ("Tamar"), Pearks ("Berwick"), Moss ("Cumberland"), Barkham ("Titania"), Evans ("Tamar"), Jones ("Kent"), Mann ("Cumberland"), Bowles ("Cumberland").

Army:—Mott (Beds. & Herts.), Hooper (Queen's), Martin (K.O.S.B.), Everest (K.O.S.B.), Hill (Queen's), Skiggs (K.O.S.B.), Cross (Beds. & Herts.), Berry (Beds. & Herts.), Reeves (K.O.S.B.), Leach (R.A.), Caldwell (Queen's).

Referee, Mr. W. Hollands, H.K.F.A.

Navy Aggressive
Hill won the toss, but elected to face the sun, and Navy took up the running, but Hooper relieved MacGregor, Navy back, was early in evidence with a clever clearance.

Navy were aggressive and Barkham put over a nice corner which Mott cleared with difficulty, and later the Army goalie brought off a fine clearance from Evans, the Navy then playing strongly.

Army broke away, but Leach was hustled in getting in his shot, which went well over.

First Blood.

Navy were the first to score, Mann capping a fine bit of work, and although Reeves came near for the Army, the Navy forwards came back strongly, and Jones hustled Hooper off the ball and scored easily.

Army were strangely quiet, and excepting for one or two bursts by Cross on the right, the Navy backs dealt easily with most of the efforts, and Mott saved smartly from Jones, the Navy centre forward being much in evidence. Navy held their lead to the interval, and the score of two to nil did not flatter them.

Easy Third Goal
Army tried hard in the second half, but the Navy halves were dominating the game, and Evans feeding Barkham cleverly, the outside right was nearly through on his own.

Reeves raised the Army hopes with a good shot past the post, but Mott was very smart in a fine clearance from Bowles. Leach fed Caldwell and the winger gave Brockman a warm handful. Just after, Cross shot over, the Army at this stage doing well.

Pearks and Baker were big factors in the Navy defence, and after Caldwell had sent a hot shot well over the bar, Evans burst through, and feeding Barkham, the winger crossed just in time. Jones netted Navy's third goal easily.

Navy On Top
The Navy were well on top now,

and Barkham and Bowles on the wings were rounding the Army backs with ease.

From one of Barkham's efforts Mann scored Navy's fourth. The Army made a last effort and Caldwell's centre was met by Cross who headed a nice one past Brockman, the final whistle leaving Navy good winners by 4 goals to one.

A Day Out
Navy had a day out and the new men quite played up to their reputations. MacGregor was a cool and classy back who improved as the game progressed, and Pearks was conspicuous in a splendid half-back line. The Navy right wing gave a brilliant display, Barkham at outside right giving Martin an awful day chasing the ball, and Evans gave one of his best exhibitions. Jones was clever at centre and Mann and Bowles on the left were very little below the clever right wing.

Army Disappointed
The Army team disappointed and it was obvious that many of the players were feeling the effects of Saturday's big game. Mott was good but Hooper and Martin were beaten with ease by Navy's wingers, and of the halves Everest alone played up to his Army form.

The forwards had very few chances owing to the defence having such a worrying time with the smart Navy attack, but Leach and Reeves were easily the pick, and the only forwards who looked dangerous. Berry, who deputised for Stock, was not thrustful, but Cross did many bright things. Caldwell gave us some glimpses of his form but the Navy defence allowed very little to come his way.

The Navy gave a rattling good display and on the day's play were well worth their substantial win, which was also rather a surprising one.

Ball Ruffed
The ball, ruffed for after the match, was won by Ticket Holder No. 6,277.

To-day's Football
The following Mid-Week League matches will take place this afternoon, kick-off 4 p.m.:—

South China v. P.W.D. Chinese at Caroline Hill. Referee: Pte. Farnsworth.

Hung Kui School v. Lam Lung Wan, on Chinese ground. Referee: Pte. Lamb.

Ewo Chinese v. Athletic on St. Joseph's ground. Referee: L/Cpl. Grieve (K.O.S.B.).

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Barred By 34 Countries



Following the decision of the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association W. T. Tilden (ex-world champion), seen above and inset, has been barred by 34 countries.

AMATEUR SOCCER

ENGLAND WINS AT BELFAST

DISAPPOINTING GAME

At Windsor Park, Belfast, which is the home of the Linfield club, England's amateur team beat Ireland by two goals to none.

The match could not have been satisfactory to the selectors of either country. England should have done much better with all the opportunities which came the way of her players. Ireland stood up valiantly during the first half, and then in the matter of aggression faded away almost to nothingness. Which was unlike the Irish, to be sure, says B. Bennison in the "Daily Telegraph." Perhaps the ground, that had been made heavy and holding by much rain, and a hall given to performing strange, almost impossible capers in gusts of wind, had to do with this and that failure of the individual. The fact is that the forwards of each country, as a collective force, were no great shakes. Vacillating fellows they were, shy to gamble in themselves. They were all for shifting responsibility when shooting had to be and should have been done.

If Norman Creek and those of the line which he led had always had the courage to do the obvious, England would have reaped an opulent harvest, instead of getting a couple of goals, which in the severely agricultural manner in which they were obtained, were something of outrageous flukes. It was Creek who in the second half did all the scoring, and yet he can seldom have been more inept. Dash he had in plenty. He worked untiringly, but somehow he failed to get off his mark in other than a laboured way. It was nearly always as if he were half a yard too slow. Especially was this his fault before the interval, during which time Soldier Jones, the Irish centre-half, revelled in his physical bigness, and the rapidity with which he jumped into his stride.

Creek Out of Form
It was not Creek's day at all; even when Jones had reduced himself to more or less of a plodder by the greed with which he had eaten up his stamina, the Corinthian was no more than a shadow of his real football self, his ball control hardly worth the mentioning, his passes given hurriedly and without that touch necessary to cohesion. He tried ever so hard to get going, but the ball and the pace of the ground, except at rare intervals, were beyond him.

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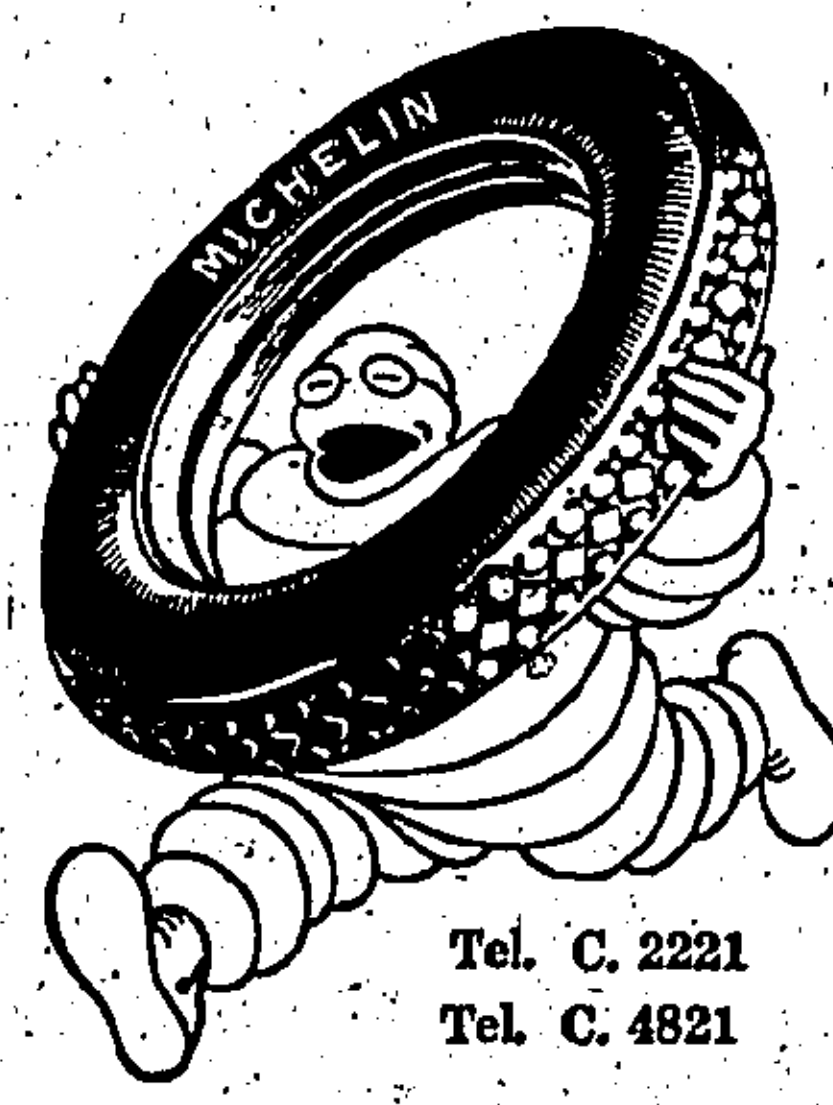
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TENNIS

DIOCESAN GIRLS BEAT VARSITY WOMEN

A friendly match was played yesterday afternoon on the University ground, between a team of University lady undergraduates and the Diocesan Girls' School, the visitors winning by a margin of 11 games. Scores were:

M. Mason & M. Chan (D.G.S.)	—
beat B. Chen & B. Draper	8-3
beat F. Wong & G. Ho Tung	8-3
lost to R. Kwok & J. Ho Tung	5-6
T. Ellis & G. White (D.G.S.)	—
beat B. Chen & B. Draper	8-3
lost to F. Wong & G. Ho Tung	4-7
beat R. Kwok & J. Ho Tung	6-5
B. Walker & L. Lee (D.G.S.)	—
beat B. Chen & B. Draper	7-4
lost to F. Wong & G. Ho Tung	4-7
lost to R. Kwok & J. Ho Tung	5-6
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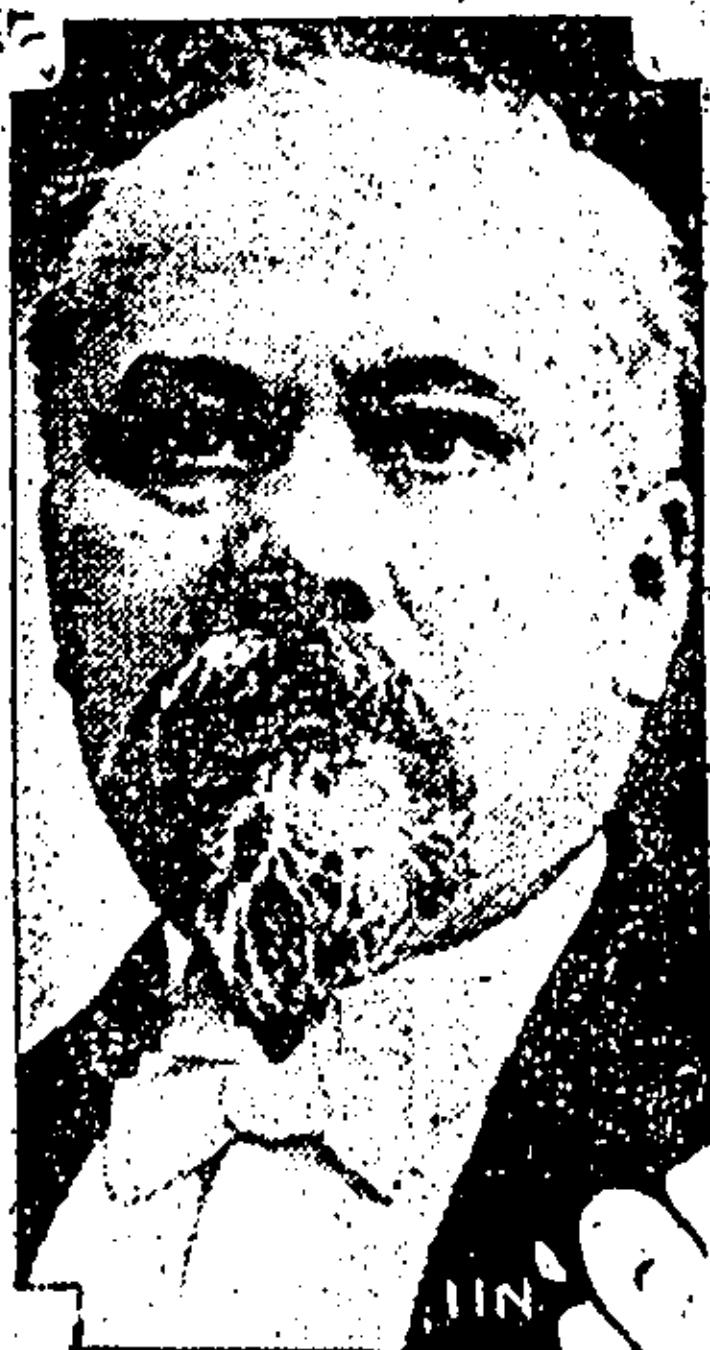
Miss Sonja Dagmar Clausen, the daughter of Capt. Theodore Clausen and Mrs. Julia Clausen who is to become the wife of Mr. William K. Findlay of Dalbeattie, Scotland. The engagement was announced by Mrs. Clausen, the opera singer.

Thousands Flee from Mount Etna Eruption



Many were killed and thousands rendered homeless as a result of eruptions of Mount Etna in Sicily, the worst in more than a quarter of a century. Mascal, a thriving town of 7,000, was inundated and wiped out in boiling lava—as completely as was Pompeii 2,000 years ago by Vesuvius. Photos above tell the story of tragedy on Etna's burning slopes. Above, an aeroplane view of the deadly crater; inset, fugitives hurrying down a mountainside before on-rushing lava, and, below, dazed villagers looking on as houses and trees and gardens are swallowed up in the molten stream.

French Premier



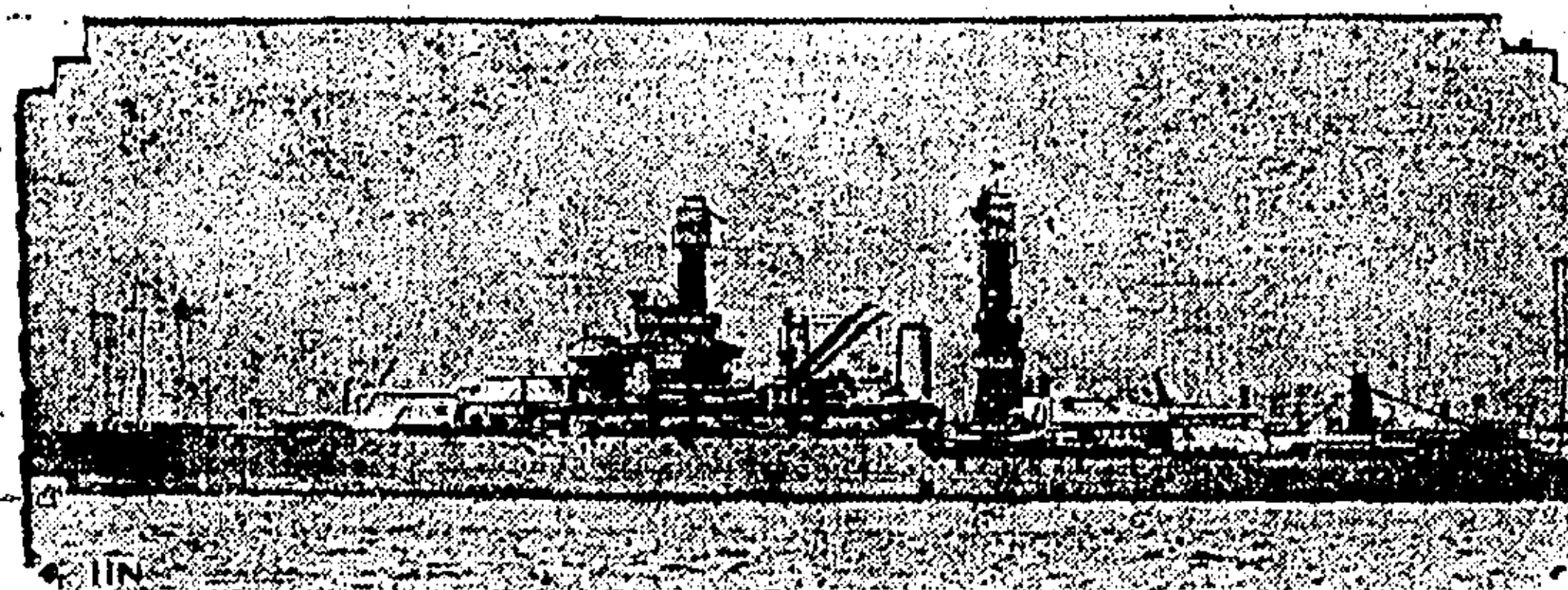
M. Raymond Poincaré, who still enjoys much confidence in Europe.

Defeat—and Smiles!



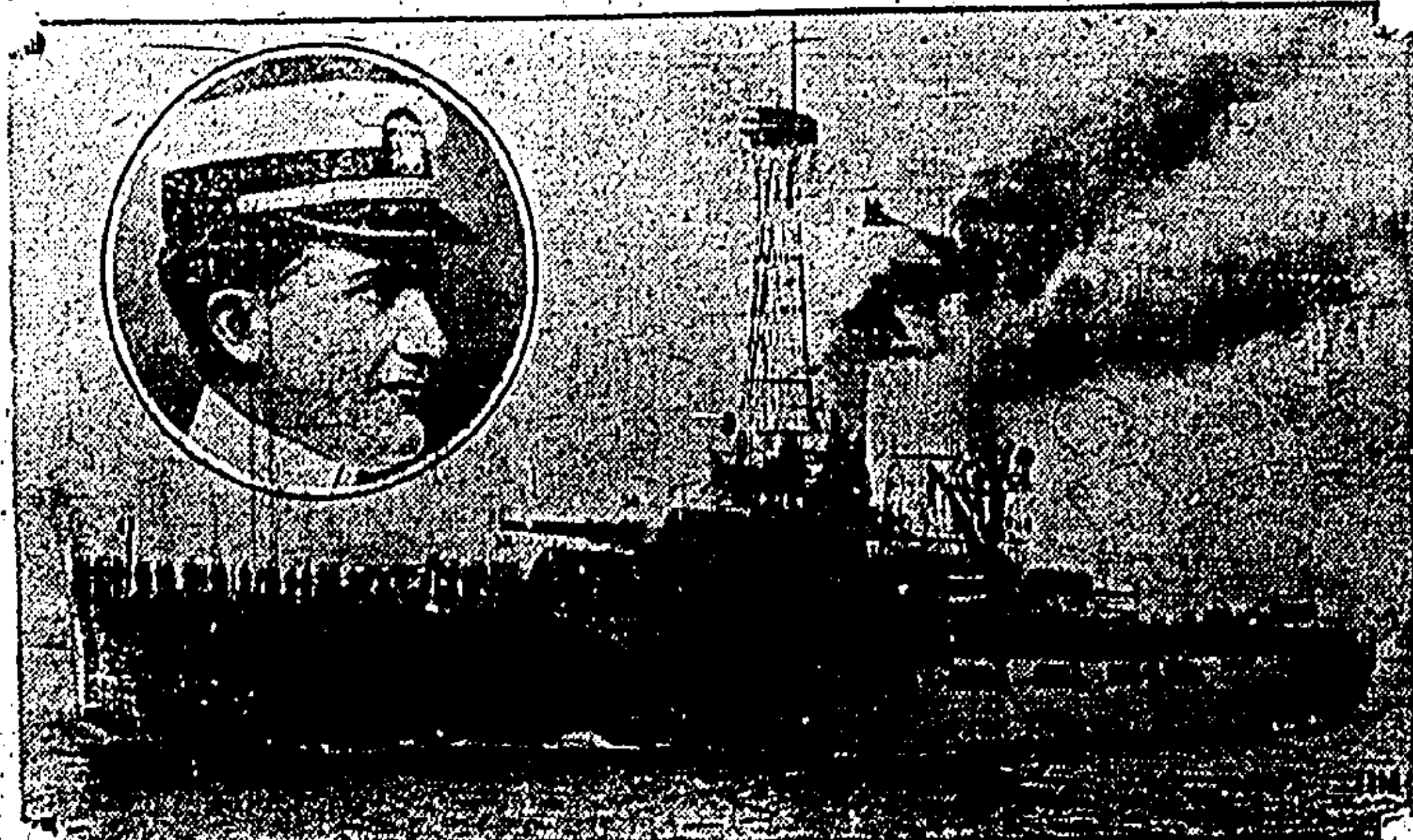
Governor Alfred E. Smith, the defeated U.S. Presidential candidate, and Mrs. Smith, as they appeared in their hotel suite where, besides listening to election returns, they celebrated Mrs. Smith's birthday. Shortly after this photo was taken, "the happy warrior" sent a sportsmanlike telegram of congratulation to President-elect, Mr. Herbert Hoover.

The U.S.S. "Maryland"



The super-dreadnought "Maryland," pride of U.S. Battle Fleet, which President Coolidge assigned to carry President-elect Herbert Hoover on his South American "goodwill tour." The "Maryland" is commanded by Capt. Victor A. Kimberly and was stationed in Pacific waters.

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The U.S.S. "Wyoming," commanded by Captain L. M. Overstreet (inset), which steamed at forced draft to the rescue of "Vestris" survivors.

British Flier



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French Politician



M. Clementel, a former Finance Minister of France.

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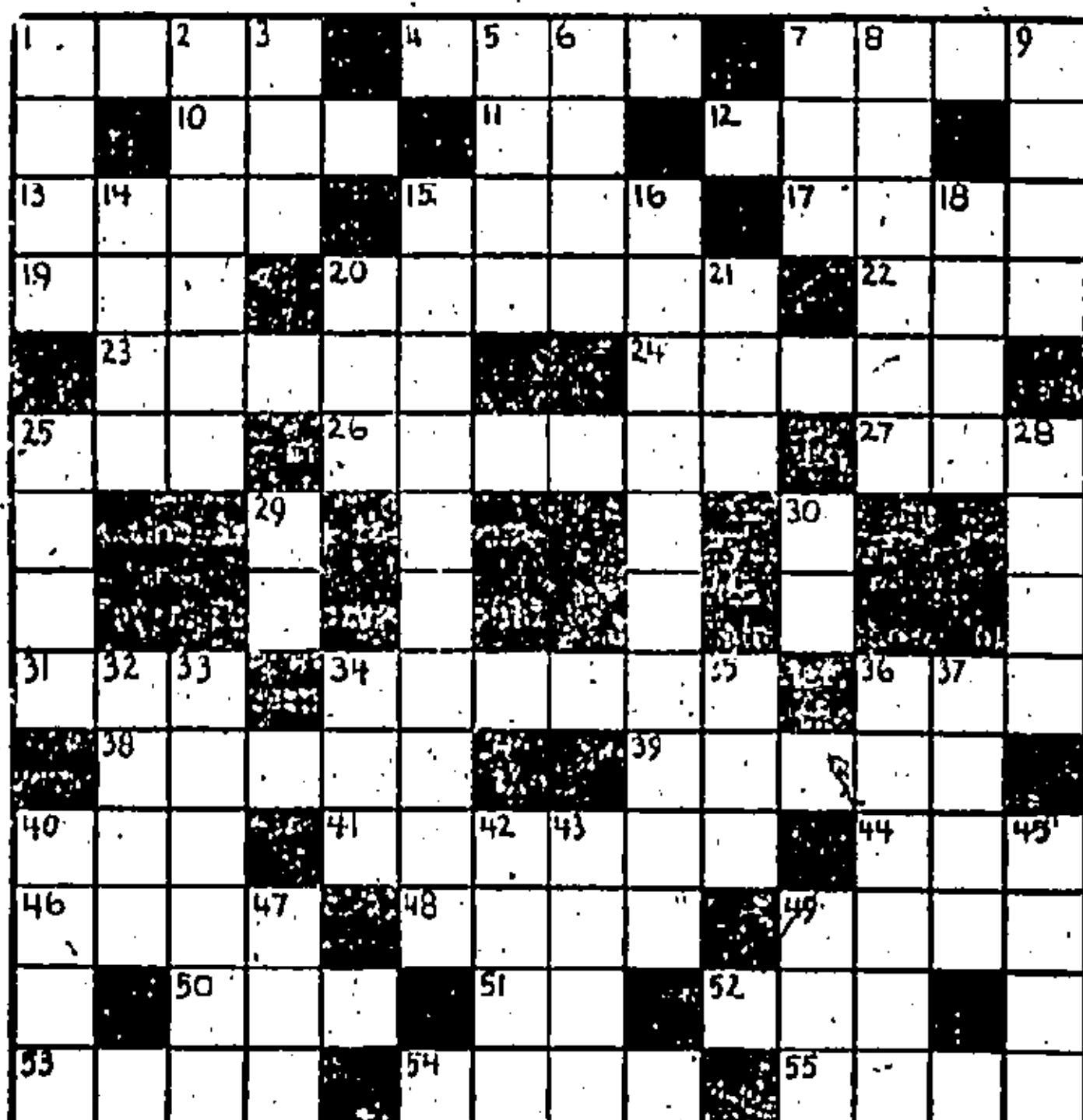


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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, ploy, and altho.)



SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

HORIZONTAL

- 1—Long periods
- 2—Mythical river
- 3—Dry
- 4—To be drowsy
- 5—Exclamation
- 6—Mineral spring
- 7—Wanders astray
- 8—In humor
- 9—Raise on end
- 10—Through (prefix)
- 11—Take offense at
- 12—Speak
- 13—Cylinder for winding thread
- 14—Easily frightened
- 15—Sudden peevishness
- 16—Cut with the teeth
- 17—Without discount
- 18—Adapt
- 19—Keen-edged implements
- 20—Boy
- 21—Woody plant
- 22—Pertaining to iodine
- 23—Malt liquor
- 24—Oldest
- 25—Article
- 26—Try
- 27—Comfort
- 28—To check
- 29—To weary
- 30—Reformed Presbyterian (abbr.)
- 31—To complete
- 32—Bunch of flowers
- 33—agate
- 34—Pace of a horse

VERTICAL

- 1—Reclining
- 2—Intensely pleased
- 3—Distress signs
- 4—That is here present
- 5—Famous university
- 6—Likely
- 7—Dried fruit
- 8—Obligation
- 9—Ascend
- 10—Worthy of credence
- 11—Boldness
- 12—Lead
- 13—Steal
- 14—A metal
- 15—Wealth
- 16—Walked on
- 17—Proceed
- 18—Preposition
- 19—Island
- 20—Essay
- 21—Regret
- 22—Drunkard
- 23—Stretch
- 24—Pain
- 25—At the summit
- 26—Repair
- 27—Catch sight of
- 28—Send forth
- 29—Test
- 30—Rest

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



HONG KONG HEIGHTS
For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
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Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	297
Bowen Road (Altitude)	297
Taimoshan	8124
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

AMATEUR SOCCER

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As I have suggested, however, he was not the only weakness in England's attack. Smith, at inside right, failed entirely to reproduce his club form. He was strangely cumbersome in his movements. His dash was small, his shooting a negligible quantity; it was as if he were afraid to trust himself, scared, so it seemed, of perpetrating a single bowler; and his partner, Jenkins, as a consequence suffered. Jenkins, however, though I have known him to do better than he did on Saturday, was always on his toes, and in the second half did his centring so well that even such an alert and very accomplished goalkeeper as Gardiner proved himself to be should have been beaten more than twice. By comparison with the other English forwards Jenkins, together with the little ex-soldier Macey, was a success. Hogan appeared to have lost both speed and punch. There was a day when he had it in him to win most races for possession of the ball; and when his venturesomeness gained for him high distinction; it used to be that his abiding faith was to shoot hard and often. In this game there was little powder in the shots that Hogan essayed, and few of his centres told of boldness and strength.

As an offset to the weaknesses of the England forwards it might be urged that the Irish five were in no vital particular the better. In the game's infancy Rafferty and Davidson, and the right, promised quite a deal, but once Knight found himself they curled up; and so, too, were Doherty and Shaw deceivers in that they produced an anticlimax, being good, enterprising, and not a little clever at the beginning, scramblers rather in the last forty-five minutes.

Doherty's Success
Still, I am quite decided that Doherty has much talent; as amateur footballers go he is decidedly above the average; I am disposed to say that, despite his falling away, he was the cleverest, the most polished of the Irish forwards.

Yet Doherty, like the others, may not be pardoned for bad and much wild shooting; and also, like those of the English attack, he and his fellows should have done immeasurably better, since they had the support of most excellent half-backs. Vincent, Jones, and Watson, because they did not stay the course, suffered by comparison with Glenister, Chadder, and Knight; but they were none the less efficient. Maybe that in the no dis-

tant future Jones will have conferred upon him full international honours. I certainly agree with those who see in him qualities suggesting that he is the very man Ireland is searching for to fill the pivotal position. That he was not an unqualified success on this occasion was probably because he did not conserve his stamina.

The Irish full-backs, McKinney and Fulton, were thoroughly competent; it was through no fault of theirs that Ireland lost. It may be held that Fulton made the way the easier for Creek to get the first of his two goals, but he played his part manfully, nevertheless. And only praise have I for Gardiner, not because he had an abundance of exacting work, but for the reason that his ways made for safety and told of competence.

A Little Goalkeeper
In her outstanding amateur international England need not desire a goalkeeper other than Solly, the Dulwich youth. It is true that, as goalkeepers go, he is little, not the man for the job at all, judged by appearance, but it is my definite opinion that among the great unpaid he has not, at the moment, his superior. Of the backs, I preferred Gates to Gregory, but each in his strikingly different way acquitted himself creditably. But, beyond all question, the English team for all practical purposes was represented by the half-backs, Chadder the giant of the three.

The old Oxonian began none too well; he was slow to master a tantalising ball and to attune his play to the condition of the ground; but after some twenty minutes, whether in defence or attack, he stood out high above the rest as a complete footballer.

If one were sure that Chadder were thoroughly trained, or if he were free to engage in first-class football often, it may be doubted whether England could claim to have a more effective centre-half, whether amateur or professional. Knight, in his directness, was a tower of strength, and Glenister went far to subdue Doherty and Shaw, Ireland's most dangerous wing.

Ireland.—A. G. Gardiner (Cliftonville), E. F. McKinney (Coleraine), R. P. Fulton (Belfast) (capt.); J. Vincent (Coleraine), Lance-Corporal Jones (The Army), A. Watson (Portadown); J. Rafferty (Larne), A. G. Davidson (Ards), W. Lyness (Newry), J. Doherty (Portadown), H. Shaw (Ballymena).

England.—A. Solly (Dulwich Hamlet); F. J. Gregory (Millwall), E. H. Gates (London Caledonians); C. E. Glenister (Royal Navy), A. H. Chadder (Corinthians), J. G. Knight (The Casuals); R. G. Jenkins (The Casuals), R. A. Smith (Stockton), F. N. S. Creek (Corinthians), F. Macey (Kingstonians), K. E. Hogan (The Army).

Dundee's Attempt to Come Back



After long absence from the ring, Johnny Dundee (right) was to have attempted a come-back at the Brooklyn Arena, against Charles Gaston, a clever young Frenchman. They were "snapped" in the gymnasium where both were in training.

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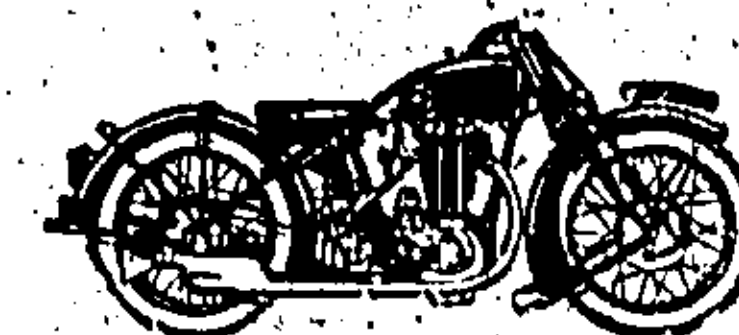


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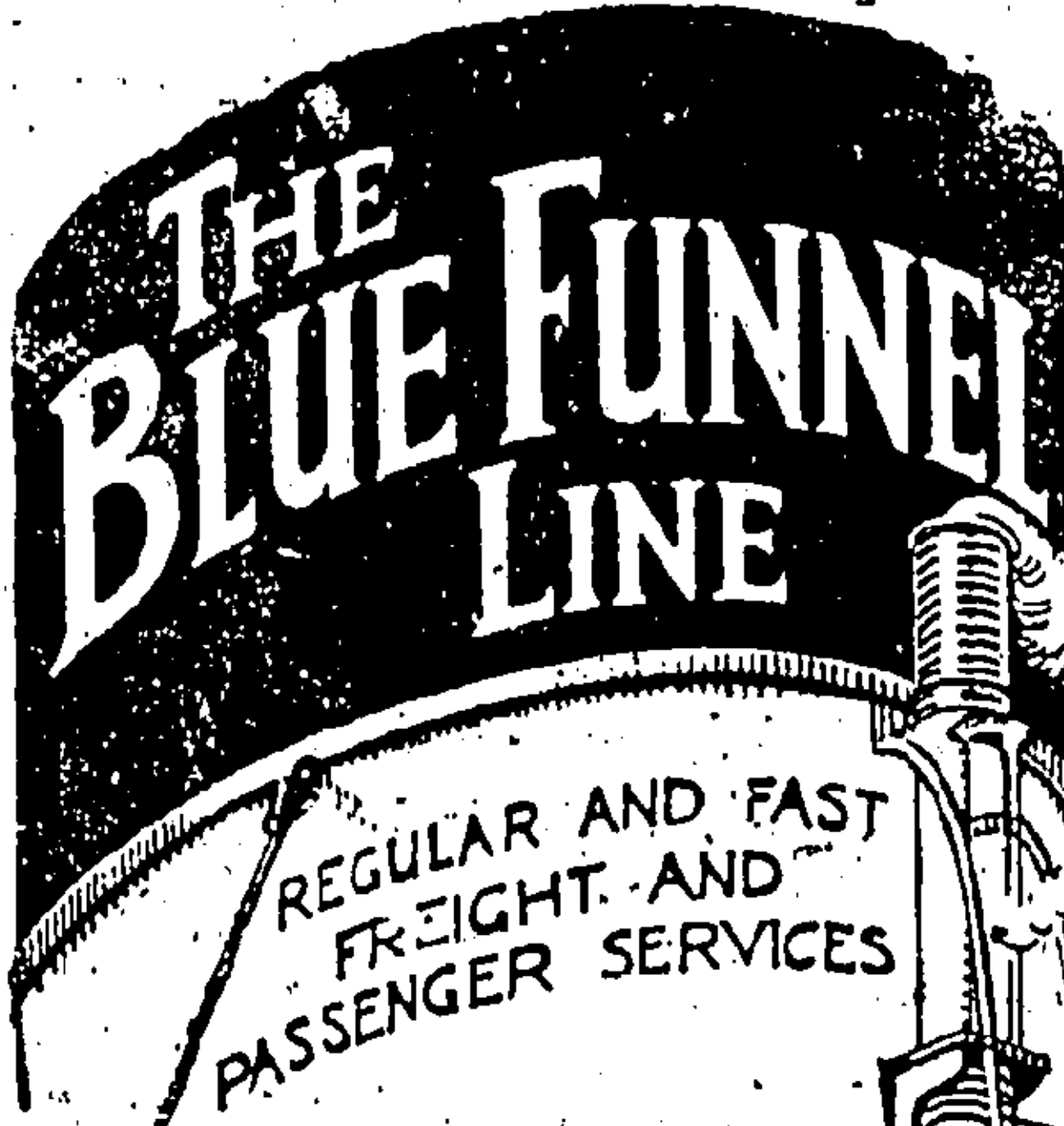
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"TALYBUI" 24th Jan. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle

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From	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19.
Straits	Gazana
Swatow	Van Heutz
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.	
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and Europe	Empress of Asia
via Siberia (London, 28th-30th Nov.)	Yingchow
Shanghai and Amoy	President Jackson
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Jackson
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23.	
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers, London, 22nd Nov. and parcels, 15th Nov.)	Kalyan
Straits	Hakone Maru
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.	
Straits	Suisang
Manila	President Pierce
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26.	
Japan	St. Albans

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19.	Per
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong So	4 p.m.
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.		
Fort Bayard	Song Bo	8.30 a.m.
Hollow and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.
Straits	Glaucus	10.30 a.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Cheongshing	10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hin Sang	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Ninghai	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Manila	Empress of Asia	3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Clara Jensen	3.30 p.m.
Formosa	Batavia Maru	5 p.m.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.		
Japan	Aki Maru	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Haiyang	1 p.m.
Amoy	Klukiang	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Chinkiang	1.30 p.m.
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Registration (Dec. 21) 9 a.m.		
G.P.O. Parcels (Dec. 21) 5 p.m.		
Registration (Dec. 22) 9.45 a.m.		
Letters (Dec. 22) 10.30 a.m.		
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.		
Wei Hai Wei	Hutchow	2.30 p.m.
Manila	President Jackson	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Dalny and Europe via Siberia	Yingchow	6 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23.		
Wei Hai Wei	Kaying	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
Hohow	Kwangtung	9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Kalyan	9 a.m.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.		
Shanghai and Japan	Hakone Maru	10.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

TO STEM AMERICA'S FLOODS ON COLORADO RIVER

GIGANTIC DAM TO COST AN ENORMOUS SUM

BILL GOING TO WHITE HOUSE

Washington, Yesterday.
The house of Representatives by 166 to 122 votes, has accepted the senate amendments to Swing Johnson, Boulder Dam Bill which provided for the construction of a huge dam at the Colorado River at Black Canyon for the purposes of flood protection and irrigation power.

It is estimated to cost \$165,000,000.

The bill will now go to the White House.—Reuter's American Service.

LADY DRUMMOND

FIRST WOMAN TO CROSS ATLANTIC

FROM WEST TO EAST

"If I were a millionaire I would buy a 'Zeppelin' and use it as a private yacht."

With this comment on the comfort and safety of the great "Graf Zeppelin," Lady Drummond Hay, the famous British journalist, and the first woman to make the Westward crossing by air, disembarked at the close of this thrilling, history-making voyage.

Enthusiastic Welcome
Before a crowd estimated at 500,000, Dr. Eckenker, followed by his passengers and crew in twenty-five Packard cars, and attended by a cordon of police, led a triumphal parade up Broadway to City Hall. Nine picked officers from New York's mounted force preceded the procession, followed by two full military bands, several companies of army reserves and a detachment of the navy.

Great Reception
Comparable only with the demonstrations accorded to Colonel Lindbergh and to the men who crossed the Atlantic in the Bremen, the lower part of Manhattan Island, the very heart of New York, presented perhaps the most colourful spectacle of recent months. A tangle of ticker-tape swept the street, suspended from the sky-scrapers—German flags were everywhere—and to add to the official aspect of the event, three army planes flying in the wedge-shaped military formation, hovered over the route which the heroes followed.

Tense Waiting
New York, noted for its hospitality to distinguished visitors, outdid herself—introduced a new note by presenting "Dr. Eckenker with roses—a touch which symbolises the new feeling of cordiality between the two nations. The four days of tense waiting showed that beneath the casual outward appearance of the Western hemisphere's greatest city there was one great question—"Will they succeed?"

Airship Sighted!
Then the news came that the gigantic ship had been seen—and New Yorkers again breathed freely. Heralded by a blast of whistles and welcoming shouts of the city's population swarming to the streets, windows and roofs, the "Graf Zeppelin," on October 15, was sighted flying through the mists which surrounded Manhattan Island—and in what seemed a matter of seconds, the huge craft was directly overhead—and gone.
"The sight of your beautiful airship," told again the story of Columbus and Magellan, of Cabot and Balboa. With these words Acting Mayor McKee, of New York City, welcomed the pioneers and gave them the freedom of the American metropolises.

LAHORE TRAGEDY

Lahore, Yesterday.
Indra Jit son of the editor of the daily paper "Arya Samaj" has been arrested and his father's house searched in connection with the murder of Mr. Saunders.
The police have also searched the Dayanand Arya college hostel near the scene of the crime, the premises of the "Servants of the People" Society formed by Lala Lajpat Rai.—Reuter.

PROMOTION OF PEACE IN INDUSTRY

EMPLOYERS' VIEWS

REPLIES MADE TO THE INTERIM REPORT

IN THE MAIN FAVOURABLE

London, Yesterday.
Practically all organisations of employers have made their replies regarding the agreements reached between Lord Melchett's group of employers and the General Council of the Trades' Union Congress to promote peace in industry.
Employers who are in touch with the feeling of their colleagues in other industries do not anticipate unqualified acceptance or rejection of all that is contained in the interim report. It is believed that, in the main, replies will be found to convey approval of the efforts made to secure a measure of closer co-operation in the industry and a desire for a joint consultation with the General Council of the Trades Union Congress.

It is stated that the vast majority of employers have been far too interested to think of anything like unqualified rejection.
A preliminary conference of an officially representative character may be held early in the New Year.—British Wireless Service.

A BOY'S GAME

FATAL EXPERIMENTING IN HANGING

WHAT HE THOUGHT

A verdict of "death by misadventure," consequent on hanging while playing at judicial execution, was returned at the inquest at Camberwell recently on Dennis Entwistle, aged 14, who was found by his brother hanging from the banisters at his home.
Mr. A. E. Entwistle said that his son was an assistant laboratory porter at his school. He was very jolly, but seemed nervous and highly strung. He had never threatened to commit suicide, and was particularly fond of the joy of living.

Cecil Entwistle, a brother, said that Dennis once said that it was impossible to hang, because a person could always cut himself down before strangling. He said he had heard a discussion at school. His mother found two kitchen knives in Dennis's coat pocket.
The coroner said that the evidence failed to prove that the boy intended to hang himself. "He simply brooded on this subject of execution," he said, "and, finding himself alone, he thought he would prove his theory by cutting the rope."

NEWSPAPER PLAYS

CRIME "SPECIALISTS" ON STAGE AND OFF

Two new newspaper plays, "Gentlemen of the Press" and "The Front Page," are now being staged in New York, but the journalists of the town are not one little bit pleased about the pictures given of them. They are represented as what one dramatic critic calls "a fearfully hard-boiled lot—unmanly, unclean, unshaven, unholy, hard drinking, impoverished, irresponsible profaners of the speech of our race."
Queer (writes a correspondent), this tradition of hard-swearing crime reporters for the stage. I know Ben Hecht, one of the co-authors of "The Front Page"; we were on the staff of the same Chicago paper. I never heard him swear, yet the language in his play blisters the paint. I have been recalling to mind the crime reporters on the big dailies in the United States and in England. Without exception they were quiet, civil-spoken, well-mannered men who might well have passed for Nonconformist ministers of the best type. They dressed well though unostentatiously. They ate, drank, and joked with moderation. They were extremely modest about their abilities. Obviously American melodrama has despaired of "putting 'em across" to full houses!

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on a pound, to-day was 2/0 8/16.

CRUDE RUBBER TO UNITED STATES

A COMPARISON

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY B.O.T. SECRETARY

THEN AND NOW

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons at question time Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister (Secretary of State for the Board of Trade) stated that between April 1 and Sept. 30, the imports in crude rubber to the United States from the United Kingdom, British Malaya and Ceylon, respectively, were 61,787 lbs. 250,235 lbs. and 32,466 lbs. and valued at £3,313,000 £11,615,000 and £1,525,000.

During the corresponding period in 1927 the corresponding figures were 42,791 lbs. 294,097 lbs. and 40,360 lbs. and the value £3,180,000, £22,325,000 and £3,043,000.—Reuter.

FACING PERIL

THE ETERNAL BATTLE OF LIFE

SERIES OF LECTURES

Professor Gilbert Murray recently delivered in the Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, London, under the Halley Stewart Trust Fund, the first of six lectures on "The ordeal of civilisation; the war, the League, and the future."

Professor Murray said that if the pacifist wanted to seek the truth he must face the essential tragedy of life. Constant fighting and killing was one of the primary and fundamental facts of life, which must be realised in order to understand any moral problems.

League of Nations speakers knew that if they showed on a lantern slide two alternative ways of settling an international dispute—either by a cavalry charge with horses plunging and men killing one another or falling dead under the hoofs, or by a conference of rather plain and bald old gentlemen reading papers to one another round the table—nearly every boy and girl in the room was secretly in favour of the cavalry charge.

They did not want to kill; they wanted to face death and peril, to put forth for one great moment the extreme effort of mind and body of which they were capable. They wanted to do it for others, for their country, for some great unspecified cause.

Modern Self-Control

He did not think the facts proved that fighting in itself was good for the character—quite the reverse. A civilised man practised without effort an amount of daily self-denial, discipline, and fore-thought which was more than the moral equivalent of the constant fighting that he had lost. Who could appreciate the degree of daily self-control and self-mastery necessary for a respectable lawyer, doctor, merchant, or artisan in a civilised European community?

The fundamental condemnation of war was that it interrupted and made impossible the main task of civilisation, the two-fold task of raising the level of individual character and power so as to make possible the formation of a better society, and of organising society in better ways, so as to call forth higher qualities in the individuals who are its citizens.
Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, who presided, said that the object of the Halley Stewart Trust was research towards the Christian ideal in social life. Nothing could be clearer than that "peace was Christian and war was not." In the present condition of international life some resort to force might prove to be necessary in order to repress lawbreakers, but it was a necessary evil. War was an evil in itself. All the evils of the world were inconsistent with Christian morality, and there was none more inconsistent than war.

Coventry's city engineer states he is preparing for the council a town-planning scheme of some 30,000 acres.

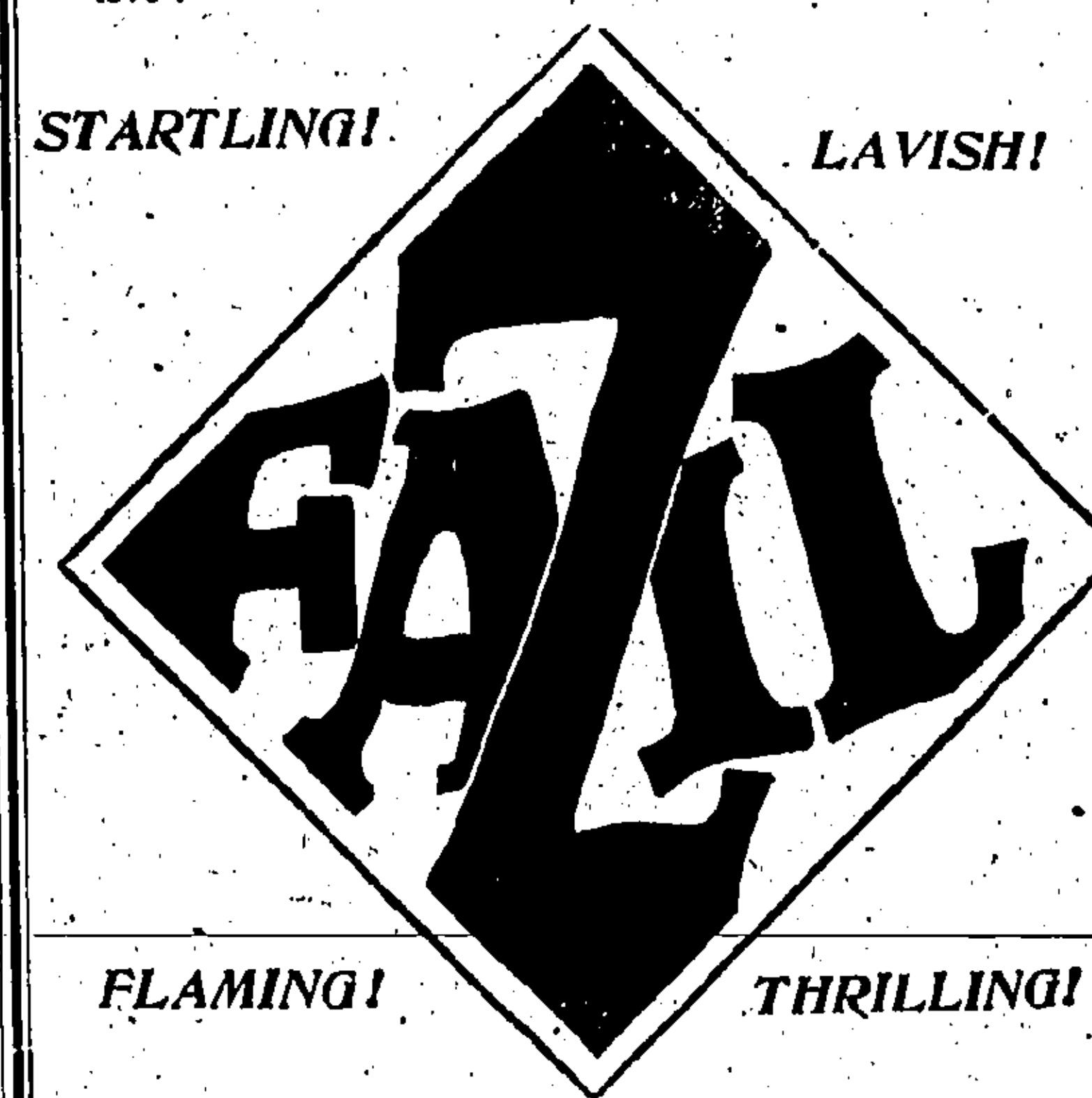
Thomas Kinsey, aged 26, of Heathfield-road, Dover, was killed by a fall of rock last month in Chislet Colliery, near Canterbury.

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